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\* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 18945/2025 & CM APPL. 78879/2025

ALL INDIA DHARMAYUGAM MAKKAL KATCHI .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Irshad Ahmad Khan, Mr. Anish  
Shreshtha, Mr. Brijballabh Tiwari,  
Advocates (M:8287940015)

versus

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA .....Respondent

Through: Ms. Rohini Prasad, Ms. Ashika  
Ranjan, Advocates for R-1  
(M:9818065913)

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA**

**ORDER**

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**15.12.2025**

1. The present writ petition has been filed seeking directions to the respondent to approve the proposed name, i.e., "ALL INDIA DHARMAYUGAM MAKKAL KATCHI" and register the said proposed political party before the Election Commission of India ("ECI"), New Delhi, prior to expiry of the date of submission of application for allotment of common symbol for the State of Tamil Nadu.
2. It is submitted that the petitioner wants to setup its candidate in the forthcoming General Legislative Assembly Election of Tamil Nadu State, which is scheduled in the year 2026.
3. It is submitted that the ECI has issued a circular for submission of application under Para 10B of the Election Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968, for allotment of common symbol in the State of Tamil Nadu on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2025. However, respondent has neither approved the proposed name nor registered the petitioner as a political party



in ECI, till date.

4. It is submitted that a General Body Meeting was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2025, which was presided over by Mr. Krishnan Moni, wherein, it was discussed to form a new political party and to get it registered before the ECI. Thus, all the members present in the meeting had given their consent and thereafter the name “ALL INDIA DHARMAYUGAM MAKKAL KATCHI” was confirmed. Further, nine alternative names were also proposed by the members.

5. It is submitted that as per the guidelines of the ECI, the petitioner on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025, submitted the application under Section 29-A of the Representation of People Act, 1951, along with nine proposed alternative names before the ECI, to register the political party.

6. It is submitted that an acknowledgement letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 was also sent by the respondent to the petitioner herein. However, the respondent had also sent a letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2025, to the petitioner to submit the documents, as per checklist Item No. 28, Item No. 29/30 and Item No. 32. The said documents, as per the directions of the respondent-ECI, were also submitted by the petitioner. However, till date, the respondent has not approved the name of the political party. Thus, the present writ petition has been filed.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already fulfilled all the criteria for registration of political party, as per the guidelines of the respondent, and relevant documents with regard thereto, have also been filed.

8. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsel for the respondent-ECI.



9. Learned counsel for the respondent-ECI has handed over to this Court letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2025, written by the ECI to the District Election Officer, District- Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu - 629001, which is reproduced as under:

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**भारत निर्वाचन आयोग सचिवालय**  
**SECRETARIAT OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**  
निर्वाचन सदन, अशोक रोड, नई दिल्ली-110001  
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

F. No. 56/090/2025/PPS-IV/ Dated: 10 December, 2025

To  
The District Election Officer,  
District- Kanyakumari,  
Tamilnadu -629001.

Subject: - Application for registration of "All India Dharmayugam Makkal Katchi" as apolitical party under Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951- Regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the registration of political parties with the Commission is governed by the provisions of Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. An association or body of Indian citizens that intends to get itself registered with the Commission has to make an application with the Commission submitting/furnishing the documents/particulars as prescribed by the Commission in its Guidelines for Registration of Political Parties.

2. In this regard the basic particulars furnished by applicant parties regarding office address of the Party shall be got verified through the District Election Officer.

3. An application for registration has been received from a party under the name "All India Dharmayugam Makkal Katchi". The details of the party are as under: -

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| Name of the party                       | "All India Dharmayugam Makkal Katchi"                                                                                    |
| Address of the party                    | No. 14/4A4, Madathuvilai, Kaliyal, Kadayal, Kanyakumari District, Tamilnadu - 629101.                                    |
| Name of the Office bearers of the party | <b>Shri/Smt./Ms.</b><br>1. Krishnan Moni -President.<br>2. Jeni Jayan V- General Secretary<br>3. Steepheen J - Treasurer |

4. You are directed to get a physical verification done and furnish information on the following points with regard to the functioning and office bearers of the applicant party: -  
(i) Whether the office of the Party actually runs from the given address as indicated in Para 3 above.  
(ii) Whether there is any legal impediment for using the abovementioned premises as the Party's Office.

5. The above-mentioned information may please be furnished to the Commission through the CEO Tamilnadu within a period of 30 days from the date of issuance of this letter under your signature.

Yours faithfully,  
  
(LOVE KUSH YADAV)  
UNDER SECRETARY  
Ph. 23052168, Ext - 551  
Email Id - pp-section4@eci.gov.in

Copy to: -  
1. Chief Electoral Officer, Tamilnadu with the request to coordinate with the DEO and furnish the requisite information within the stipulated time frame  
2. Guard File

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10. By referring to the aforesaid letter, learned counsel for the respondent-ECI submits that the respondent is still awaiting the response from the District Election Officer. She submits that as soon as the said response is received, a 30 day public notice shall be published in the newspaper by the petitioner, by way of which, objection to the registration shall be invited. In case, any objection is received to the registration of the political party of the petitioner, the same shall be considered by the ECI.
11. Learned counsel for the respondent-ECI further submits that pursuant to the letter issued by the ECI, the requisite documents were submitted by the petitioner only on 09<sup>th</sup> October, 2025.
12. She further submits that the application of the petitioner is under consideration and that some time may be granted for the same.
13. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner expresses urgency and submits that the ECI may expedite the process.
14. Considering the submissions made before this Court, since the ECI is awaiting information from the District Election Officer, the ECI is directed to communicate with the District Election Officer, District - Kanyakumari to give the requisite information, expeditiously.
15. Further, it is directed that the ECI shall do the needful within a period of eight weeks, in accordance with law.
16. With the aforesaid directions, the present writ petition, along with pending application, is accordingly disposed of.

**MINI PUSHKARNA, J**

**DECEMBER 15, 2025/au**