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A No.975 of 2026
in C.S.DR.No.21367 of 2026
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

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S/o.B.S.Thomas,
B 48, Bhath Nagar, BEML Nagar,
K G F Bangarpet, Beml Nagar, Kolar District,
Karnataka 563 115.

Applicants/Plaintiff

Vs

1. India Evangelical Lutheran Church (IELC)
Rep.by its President,
47, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai -18.
2. K.Baulsundar
General Treasurer Cum Secretary
47 Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai-18.
3. The Chief Election Commissioner
P.Jesudas Prem Kumar,
No.47, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai-18.
4. Synod election Officer -Ambur
J.Robert Asirvadam,
No.47, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai 600 018.



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5. Synod Election Officer - Nagercoil
R.Bennett Stephenson,
No.47, Eldams Road,
Teynampet, Chennai – 18.

6. Synod election Officer- Trivandrum
S.Sanoj Shalom,
No.47, Eldams Road,
Teynampet, Chennai – 18.

Respondents/Defendants

For Applicant : Mr. S. Patrick

ORDER

This application has been filed by the applicant/plaintiff seeking leave of this Court to institute the suit before this Court.

2. According to the applicant/plaintiff, he has filed the main Suit for relief of declaration. It is stated that a substantial part of the cause of action has arisen within the Jurisdiction of this Court. However, some of the Synod Election Officers/Defendants are residing outside of the Jurisdiction of this Court. Hence, he has filed this application.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the applicant/plaintiff and perused the materials available on record.



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4. Considering the averments made in the affidavit filed in support of this application and on being satisfied that a substantial part of the cause of action has arisen within the Jurisdiction of this Court, this application deserves to be allowed.

5. Accordingly, this application is allowed and the leave is granted.

6. The Registry is directed to number the civil suit if it is otherwise in order.

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