



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-06-2026

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**THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE G. JAYACHANDRAN
AND
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE N. MALA**

W.P.No.23061 of 2026

&

W.M.P.No.24985 of 2026

P.Elumalai,
S/o.Pachaiyappan Achari,
No.2/231, Kamaraj Street,
R.Nayampadi village, Gingee taluk,
Villupuram District – 604 151.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government,
Revenue and Disaster management
Department, St.Fort George,
Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.

2.The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector,
Villupuram,
Villupuram District – 605 602.

3.The Sub Collector,
Tindivanam,
Villupuram District – 605 602.

4.The Tahsildar
Gingee, Gingee Taluk – 604 202.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to direct the respondents to remove the lock and seal based on the interim stay granted on 13.03.2026 *vide* proceedings in Letter No.1858/LD6(1)/2026-2 by the revisional authority for 1st respondent and on the basis of the petitioner representations dated 25.03.2026 and 06.04.2026.



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For Petitioner: Mr.L.Chandrakumar

For Respondents: Mr.K.Surendar,
Government Advocate

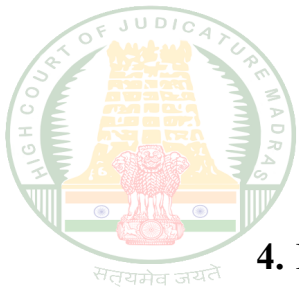
ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by G.Jayachandran J.)

The writ petition has been filed seeking a mandamus to direct the respondent to remove the lock and seal pending disposal of the revision application before the Government, challenging the removal of encroachment on the alleged Government Kulam Poramboke.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that while the revision application is pending before the Government and stay order had been granted and the temple been sealed without any authority or reason.

3. The learned Government Advocate for the respondents, on instructions, submits that due to a law and order issue, the temple was sealed. However, the same was reopened on 26.06.2026 at about 6.00 p.m., and is now open for public worship. Recording and confirming the statement of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the temple has been desealed, we find no purpose in keeping the writ petition pending.



4. Hence, this Writ Petition is disposed of, recording the desealing of the Temple by the Tahsildar and reporting that the Temple is open for public worship. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

(Dr. G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.) & (N.MALA, J.)
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Index :Yes/No.
Neutral Citation :Yes/No.
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5. The Government Pleader,
High Court,
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