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WP No. 28737 of 2



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

WP No. 28737 of 2025

M.Ramesh

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Collectorate, Gundu Salai Road,
Manjakuppam,
Cuddalore- 607 001.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Virudhachalam Taluk,
Cuddalore,
Cuddalore District- 606 001.
3. The Tahsildar
Virudhachalam Taluk,
Cuddalore,
Cuddalore District- 606 001.
4. Mulukkandi Vagaiyara
Rep. by Mr.Kuppusamy,
S/o.Rajavel, West Street,
Vadakiruppu Village, Iruppu Post,
Virudhachalam Taluk,
Cuddalore District.
5. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department,
No.119, Uthamar Gandhi Salai,
Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 034.



6. The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department,
Cuddalore District.

7. The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department,
Cuddalore District.

(R5 to R7 suo motu impleaded vide order
dated 04.08.2025 made in
WP.No.28737/2025)

..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to remove the encroachment and demolish any construction work thereon in survey No. 210/8 and 210/9 situate at Iruppu Village, Virudhachalam Taluk, Cuddalore District within the time limit to be fixed by this Court and consequently forbear the Respondents 1 to 3 from granting any permission to conduct kumbabishekam to be held on 08.08.2025 or any other date for the newly constructed temple in Survey No.210/8 and 210/9 situate at Iruppu Village, Virudhachalam Taluk, Cuddalore District.

For Petitioner : Mrs.C.Uma

For Respondents : Mr.T.Arunkumar,
Addl. Govt. Pleader for R1 to R3

Mrs.V.Suguna
for Mr.C.Munusamy for R4

Mr.S.Ravichandran,
Addl. Govt. Pleader (HR&CE) for R5 to R7

**ORDER****(Order of the Court was made by S.M.Subramaniam J.)**

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With reference to the relief sought for in the Writ Petition, the learned Additional Government Pleader for HR & CE would submit that the Authorities have identified the encroachments and a fit person was appointed by the Department and taken over the temple administration. Thus, all appropriate eviction proceedings will be initiated under Section 78 of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act.

2. In view of the said factum, the official respondents are directed to initiated eviction proceedings under the provision of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act by following the procedures and ensure that the encroachers are evicted from the temple properties within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

3. With these directions, the Writ petition is **disposed of**. No costs.

(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)
27-04-2026

Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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