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W.P.No.29714 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 07.04.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

W.P.No.29714 of 2025

And

W.M.P.Nos.33324 and 47848 of 2025

M.Rangasamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1 THE COMMISSIONER,
HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT DEPARTMENT,
NUNGAMBAKKAM,
CHENNAI – 600 034.
- 2 THE JOINT COMMISSIONER,
HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT DEPARTMENT,
DR.BALASUNDARAM SALAI,
COIMBATORE – 641 018.
- 3 THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT DEPARTMENT,
DR.BALASUNDARAM SALAI,
COIMBATORE.
- 4 THE FIT PERSON,
A/M.UTHTHANDARAYAR THIRUKOIL,
CHETTIPALAYAM VILLAGE,
COIMBATORE DISTRICT.
(INCHARGE OF A/M.LAKSHMI NARASHIMA THIRUKOIL,
UKKADAM, COIMBATORE DISTRICT). ... Respondents

Prayer:

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to



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issue a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records pertaining to the proceedings issued by the third respondent in Se.Mu.Na.Ka. No:1918/ 2015/A6 dated 27.06.2025 and quash the same.

For Petitioner : Ms.V.S.Usharani
For Respondents : Mr.S.Ravichandran for R1 to R4
Additional Government Pleader (HR&CE)

O R D E R

The petitioner has filed this writ petition seeking issuance of Writ of Certiorari calling for the records pertaining to the proceedings issued by the third respondent in Se.Mu.Na.Ka. No:1918/ 2015/A6 dated 27.06.2025 and quash the same.

2.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that Arulmigu Selvavinayagar and Uththandarayar Temple situated in Oruthukkuppai, Chettipalayam Village, Mathukarai Taluk, Coimbatore District was founded by the ancestors of the petitioner. The learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner's father Maruthachala Poosari was in administration of the said Temple after his father's demise and further submitted that the petitioner's father Maruthachala Poosari along with Ramasamy Poosari, Muthukumarasamy Poosari, Arumugha Poosari filed O.A.No.113/1976 before the Deputy



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Commissioner of H.R. & C.E. Department under Section 63 (b) of Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act seeking to declare their holding of office in the Temple is hereditary trusteeship and the said amount was allowed on 15.02.1977. After the demise of the petitioner's father on 09.09.1997, the petitioner succeeded to his office as the successor and he filed petition under Section 54(1) of the Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act before the second respondent seeking to recognize the petitioner as hereditary trustee in M.P.No.17/2023 and the same is pending. In the meanwhile, the third respondent passed the impugned order appointing Fit Person.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner further submitted that, this Court may, without going into the merits of the case, issue direction to the second respondent to dispose of the petition in M.P.No.17/2023 and further submitted that till the disposal of M.P.No.17/2023 the petitioner may be permitted to act as Administrator of the said Temple.

4.The learned Additional Government Pleader (HR&CE) appearing for the respondents submitted that the petitioner's petition



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under Section 54(1) of the Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act before the second respondent in M.P.No.17/2023 will be decided in the manner known to law and further submitted that this Court may observe that the impugned order is subject to the result of M.P.No.17/2023.

5.Considering the limited relief now sought for by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the submissions made by the learned Additional Government Pleader (HR&CE) appearing for the respondents, this Court without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, directs the second respondent to dispose of M.P.No.17/2023 filed by the petitioner, in the manner known to law, as expeditiously as possible. The order impugned in this writ petition is subject to the result of M.P.No.17/2023.

6.The writ petition is disposed of with the above directions and observations. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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