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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09-03-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 6024 of 2023 and WMP.No.6041 of 2023

C.R.Vijay

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The State of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by its Principal secretary to Government,
Department of Tourism, Culture and Religious
Endowments, Secretariat, Fort St.George,
Chennai 09

2.The Commissioner
Hindu religious and Charitable Endowments
Department, Uttamar Gandhi salai,
Nungambakkam, Chennai 34

3.Joint Commissioner
HR and CE (Admn) Department,
Nungambakkam, Chennai 34
P.V.Rajkumar (Deceased)

4.P.V.krishnakumar

5.P.R.Satish Kumar

6.Tmt. Sudha Ganesh

7.P.R.Sudesh Kumar

8.Tmt. Prameela

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, calling for the records of the respondents, culminating in the impugned order G.O. (Ms) No. 193 Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments (RE3.1) department dated 4.08.2022 issued by 1st respondent in R.P. No. 2 of 2020 and quash the same and direct the 1st respondent to implement the order of the 3rd respondent dated 10.08.2016 in MP No. 7756 of 2012.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.D. Paariventhan

For Respondent(s): Mr.N.R.R.Arun Natarajan for R1 to R3
Special Government Pleader (HR&CE)
Mr.G.Sugumaran for R5 to R7



ORDER

This petition has been filed challenging the order G.O. (Ms) No. 193 Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments (RE3.1) department dated 4.08.2022 issued by 1st respondent in R.P. No. 2 of 2020 and quash the same and direct the 1st respondent to implement the order of the 3rd respondent dated 10.08.2016 in MP No. 7756 of 2012.

2. It is the case of the writ petitioner that there was serious dispute in between the petitioner and the private respondents for appointment of hereditary trustee in Arulmigu Apparsamy Temple situated at Mylapore, Chennai. Now, the petitioner's father has made an application under Section 54(1) of TN HR & CE Act seeking to record him as one of the hereditary trustee/next line of succession, however, the same was rejected vide the impugned order. Challenging the same, the present writ petition.

3. After raising various grounds, the learned counsel for the petitioner seeks liberty of this Court to file appropriate civil suit and also seeks for an order of this Court that the period of limitation may be excluded for filing civil suit from the date of application pending before the authorities.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader (HR&CE) and the learned counsel for the respondents 5



and 7 and perused the materials placed on record.

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5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the petitioner seeks liberty to file a civil suit before the appropriate civil forum, liberty is granted to the petitioner to file a civil suit before the appropriate civil forum and further, the period of application pending before the authorities and in prosecuting this writ petition before this Court is excluded for the purpose of limitation enabling the petitioner to file a civil suit.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.

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