



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 07-01-2026**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY**

**WP No. 50637 of 2025**

**and**

**WMP No. 56700 of 2025**

R.Mannammal

Petitioner

Vs

1. The Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,  
Nungambakkam High Road,  
Chennai - 600 034.

2.The Joint Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,  
Villupuram District.

3.The Assistant Commissioner / Executive Officer,  
Arulmighu Melmalayanur Angalamman Temple,  
Melmalayanur, Villupuram.

4.The Chairman,  
Arulmighu Melmalayanur Angalamman Temple,  
Melmalayanur, Villupuram.

Respondents

**PRAYER** Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, in the nature of writ of Mandamus, directing the third respondent to allow the petitioner's to perform poojas framed scheme order in O.A. No.144/1968 dated 05.03.1973 and also order passed by second respondent in O.A.No.4 of 2025 dated 22.09.2025 based on the petitioner's representation dated 01.12.2025.

For Petitioner: Mr.G.Selvaraj

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



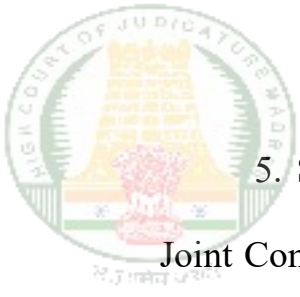
## ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed for a direction, directing the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent to allow the petitioner to perform poojas framed scheme order in O.A. No.144/1968 dated 05.03.1973 and also order passed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent in O.A. No.4 of 2025 dated 22.09.2025 based on the petitioner's representation dated 01.12.2025.

2.Heard *Mr.G.Selvaraj*, learned counsel for the petitioner and *Mr.S.Ravichandran*, learned Additional Government Pleader for the respondents.

3. In view of the nature of the orders passed in WP.No.50043 of 2025 dated 19.12.2025, this writ petition is disposed of in the admission stage.

4. It can be seen that when a similar claim was made by yet another person namely *Mr.S.Anandan*, in W.P.No.50043 of 2025, the matter was disposed of on 19.12.2025 directing the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent therein, Joint Commissioner HR & CE, Villupuram, by remanding the matter back for fresh disposal, by issuing notice to all the parties interested, including the petitioner, and after hearing all concerns, dispose the matter in accordance with law.



5. Similarly, in respect of the petitioner herein also, the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent, Joint Commissioner, HR & CE, Villupuram, shall take up the representation of the petitioner dated 01.12.2025 into inquiry. The Joint Commissioner shall issue notice to the petitioner as well as any other person who may be interested in opposing the same, including the Executive Officer of the temple. Thereafter, the same shall be decided in accordance with law on merits, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a web copy of this order without waiting for the certified copy of this order. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is also closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No  
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