



WP(MD). No.849 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 28/01/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

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Arulanthu

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Pudukkottai District.

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Aranthangi, Pudukkottai District.

3. The Tahsildar,
Manamelkudi Taluk,
Pudukkottai District.

4. The Inspector of Police,
Nagudi Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.

5. Arulanthu

6. Prabhuraja

7. Antony Raj

8. Michel Raj

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus,



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directing the Respondent Nos.1 to 4 open the St. Antonyar Church, Karmalam, Puthuvayal Village, Manamelkudi Post and Taluk and Pudukottai, enabling the public to offer prayer in the Church by considering petitioner's representation dated 06.01.2024.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Balakrishnan
For R1 to R3 : Mrs.S.Jeyapriya, Government Advocate
For R4 : Mr.A.Albert James
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)
For R5 to R8 : Mr.B.S.Meltiue

ORDER

The prayer in this writ petition is to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 4 to open St.Antonyar Church, Karmalam, Puthuvayal Village, Manamelkudi Post and Taluk and Pudukottai, enabling the public to offer prayer in the Church, by considering petitioner's representation dated 06.01.2024.

2. It is represented by the counsel for the respondents that the Church in question is not closed and it is functioning and therefore, the question of opening the Church does not arise.



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Further, the respondents have no objection for the petitioner to enter into the Church and offer his prayers.

3. Recording the said submission, the Writ Petition is dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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