



WP CRL.(MD). No.2458 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 29/04/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE L. VICTORIA GOWRI

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and

WPMP CRL.(MD). No.598 of 2026

Shanmugam Pillai

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The State of Tamilnadu,
Represented by the District Collector,
Sivagangai District, Sivagangai.

2. The Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai District, Sivagangai.

3. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Devakottai, Sivagangai District.

4. The Tahsildar,
Thirupathur Taluk, Sivagangai District.

5. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thirupathur, Sivagangai District.

6. The Inspector of Police,
Thirupathur Town Police Station,
Sivagangai District.

... Respondents



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PRAYER :-

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To Writ of Mandamus directing Respondents to grant permission and provide adequate police protection for conducting Chitra Pournami festival in respect of Arulmighu Velayudhasawamy temple on 01.05.2026 and Mandakapadi Festival at Thiruthalinathar Sivan Temple on 05.05.2026 at Thirupathur, Sivagangai District, by forming an committee with both rival groups and ensure that the festival is conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 17.04.2026.

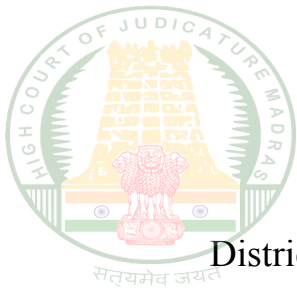
For Petitioner : Mr.V. Malaiyendran,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.M.Muthumanikkam for R1, R3 and R4
Government Advocate (Civil Side)

Mr.S.S.Manoj
Government Advocate (Crl Side)

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed seeking Writ of Mandamus to direct the Respondents to grant permission and provide adequate police protection for conducting Chitra Pournami festival in respect of Arulmighu Velayudhasawamy temple on 01.05.2026 and Mandakapadi Festival at Thiruthalinathar Sivan Temple on 05.05.2026 at Thirupathur, Sivagangai



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District, by forming an committee with both rival groups and ensure that the festival is conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 17.04.2026.

2. The learned Government Advocate(crl.side) submitted that the conduct of Peace Committee Meeting is still pending.

3. Learned counsel for the fourth respondent submitted that the peace committee meeting would be conducted shortly.

4. Considering the fact that the temple festival is to commence on 01-05-2026, the 3rd and 4th respondents are directed to conclude the peace committee meeting by **30.04.2026** and facilitate the conduct of temple festival.

5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.

29.04.2026

NCC : yes / no

Index : yes / no

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Sivagangai District.
7. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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