



W.P.Crl.(MD)No.2715 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 07.05.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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... Petitioner

Vs

1.The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Superintendent of Police,
Ramanathapuram District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Nayinarkovil Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.

3.B.Alexander

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to grant the permission for using loud speaker and participate all communities for celebrate the Chithirai Thiruvizha scheduled on 13.05.2026 to 15.05.2026 at Arulmigu Shri Kaliamman Thirukovil, S.V.Mangalam, Paramakudi Taluk, Ramanthapuram District.

For Petitioner : Mr.H.Velavadhas

For R-1 & R-2 : Mr.A.S.Abul Kalaam Azad
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

For R3 : M/s.A.Banumathy
Additional Government Pleader



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ORDER

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2. Regarding temple festival, the third respondent has already filed a Writ Petition in W.P.(MD) No.2002 of 2026. This Court, vide order dated 29.01.2026, has passed an order and the relevant portion is extracted hereunder:

3.Learned Counsel for the petitioner would submit that the subject temple is exclusively a community temple, being maintained and administered by the Kulalar community. While that being so, some of the Yadavar community people claimed right over the temple and filed a Writ Petition in W.P. (MD)No.28452 of 2024 before the Division Bench of this Court. The Division Bench by its order dated 28.11.2024, disposed of the Writ Petition with a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation therein. Pursuant to the said order, the second respondent has passed the impugned order dated 26.12.2025, directing constitution of a committee for the temple without issuing notice to the petitioner herein, which is arbitrary. Hence, the



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present Writ Petition.

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4.The members of the petitioner community have been in the administration of the temple, as the temple is a private temple. Thus, passing an order without notice to the petitioner community who is presently in the administration of the temple will lead to unnecessary dispute among the community people. Therefore, there shall be an order of interim stay of the impugned order dated 26.12.2025.

3. The said Writ Petition is still pending. In the meanwhile, the petitioner has filed the present Writ Petition claiming that he should be permitted to participate in the festival by using a loudspeaker. Admittedly, there is a dispute between the petitioner and the third respondent regarding the administration of the temple, which is pending before this Court in W.P.(MD) No.2002 of 2026.

4. In these circumstances, the petitioner cannot be permitted to claim any right over the temple administration, nor he can be granted permission to conduct the festival. However, he is permitted only to participate in the festival. The third respondent is at liberty to arrange the festival. The petitioner shall not claim any right to arrange the festival. Therefore, the petitioner's prayer to use a loudspeaker is declined. All arrangements shall be made by the third respondent



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alone and the petitioner shall not participate in the festival. The rights of the parties regarding the administration of the temple shall be decided in the pending litigation.

5. With this clarification, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

07.05.2026

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Note: Issue order copy on 08.05.2026

To

- 1.The Superintendent of Police,
Ramanathapuram District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Nayinarkovil Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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