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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\# **CNR No. DLHC010470912026**

\+ W.P.(C) 14459/2026

SORNALAKSHMI, PRESIDENT OF PROPOSED POLITICAL PARTY (ALL INDIA MAHALIR MUNNETRA KAZHAKAM)
.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ali Md Maaz, Adv. (M-9650196304)

versus

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA .....Respondent

Through: Mr. Sanjay Vashishtha, SC with Mr. Siddhartha Goswami and Mr. Aditya Sachdeva, Advs. (M-8800111333)

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SAURABH BANERJEE

O R D E R

% 01.10.2026

1. By virtue of the present petition under *Article 226* of the Constitution of India, the petitioner seeks following reliefs:

> *"A) Issue a writ of mandamus, or any other appropriate writ, order, or direction, directing the Respondent to Kindly approve the name of the Political party as "All India Mahalir Munnetra Kazhakam" and issue a Notice to the petitioner for mandatory Publication in the newspaper and issuance of certificate of registration within time bound manner by completing all the Process."*

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the ECI has apprised this Court about the various stages involved, which take their own course as they are

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dependent upon the factual matrix involved from case to case.

3. Regarding the present case, he submits that the ECI has, *vide* a communication dated 30.09.2026 in furtherance of the steps already sought verification *qua* the party involved herein from the District Election Officer, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu [***DEO***]. A copy whereof is handed over, and is taken on record.

4. He then submits that it is only pursuant to a report from the said DEO before the Chief Election Officer, Tamil Nadu [***CEO***] that the mandatory procedure of issuing a Public Notice and inviting objections will come into play, and it is only thereafter that personal hearing(s), if any, may be given to the petitioner prior to the passing of the final orders.

5. Considering the aforesaid procedure, and provided that the report from the DEO and the CEO are necessary formalities/ procedures to be undertaken mandatorily *qua* verification of the petitioner and others involved thereto, the respondent is directed decide the application of the petitioner on or before 31.03.2027 after following the aforesaid procedures, in accordance with law.

6. In view of the aforesaid, since the reliefs sought by the petitioner in the present petition are satisfied, the present writ petition along with the pending applications therein, if any, is disposed of accordingly.

SAURABH BANERJEE, J

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