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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 16924 of 2026

Panneer Selvam

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment
Department,
119, Uthamar Gandhi Road,
Thousand Lights,
Nungambakkam,
Chennai- 600 034.
2. The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment
Department,
Rajaji Nagar, 3rd Cross,
Royakottai Road,
Krishnagiri District.
3. The Executive Officer
Arulmigu Palagai Keragam Thiru Koil,
Belagondapalli,
Denkanikottai Taluk,
Krishnagiri District.
4. Selvam

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 3 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 01.04.2026 given to the 2nd respondent and pass order thereon within the time as may be stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner(s):

Mr.A.Balamurugan

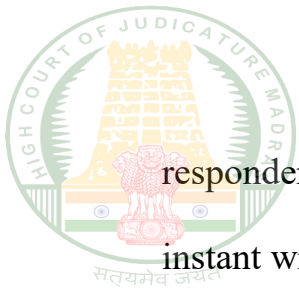
For Respondent(s):

Mr.S.Ravichandran,
Additional Govt. Pleader (HR & CE)
for R1 to R3

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed for a Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 01.04.2026 given to the 2nd respondent.

2. The case of the petitioner is that the wet land comprised in S.No.285/3 to an extent of 1.80 acres situated at Nellur Revenue Village belongs to Arulmigu Pasavanna Swamy Thirukovil which is under the control of HR & CE Department. On 19.02.2026 at 3.00 p.m., the 3rd respondent auctioned the said property and the 4th respondent took the said property on lease for Rs.25,000/- and the lease period is for 2 ½ years. As per condition No.11 of the advertisement of the public auction notice, a person who takes the land on lease should not sublet the property and if the person who takes the land on lease sublets, the lease agreement executed in his favour is liable to be cancelled. However, the 4th respondent, after getting the land on lease for a period of 2 ½ years, on 29.03.2026 conducted a public auction and sublet the said property to a third party for a sum of Rs.76,000/-. In this regard, the petitioner made a representation dated 01.04.2026 as to the said illegal public auction to the 2nd



respondent and since no action has been taken, the petitioner has filed the instant writ petition.

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3. Heard the submissions of both sides and perused the materials.

4. Considering the limited scope of prayer sought for, this Court, without expressing anything on merits, directs the second respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 01.04.2026 after affording opportunity to the petitioner, 4th respondent and other interested parties and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the above directions. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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