



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

WP No. 41826 of 2025

The Administrator,
Chennai Kulalar's Cooperative Credit Society Ltd,
No1, New Street, Kosapet, Chennai-600 012.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious And Charitable Endowments
Department (Division-I), Chennai.

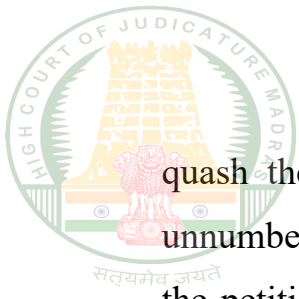
2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department (Division-I), Chennai.

3.The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department (Division-I), Chennai - 600 034.

4.The Executive Officer,
A/m. Kandasamy and Aadhimottaiamman
Thirukoil, Kandasamy Kovil Street, Kosapet,
Chennai-600 012.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of writ of certiorarified mandamus, to call for the records pertaining to the impugned order of the 2nd respondent in Na.Ka.No.4929/2024/Aa3 dated 05.02.2025 (on the file of the Joint Commissioner, HR & CE Department, (Division-1) Chennai and the subsequent letters dated 03.03.2025 and 27.03.2025 of the Executive officer of the temple informing the fair rent and



quash the same and consequently direct the first respondent to number the unnumbered appeal petition in appeal petition S.R. No.1883347 of 2025 filed by the petitioner dated 11.08.2025 by condoning the delay in filing of the appeal petition and dispose the same on merits within a time frame that may be fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R.Kumaravel for Mr.T.S.Rajagopal

For Respondent(s): Mr.V.Chandra Prabhu
Government Counsel (HR & CE)

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the impugned order passed by the 2nd respondent dated 05.02.2025, fixing fair rent and also seeking direction to the first respondent to number the unnumbered appeal petition in appeal petition S.R. No.1883347 of 2025 filed by the petitioner dated 11.08.2025 by condoning the delay in filing of the appeal petition and dispose the same on merits within a time frame.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that as per the terms of the agreement between the Temple authority and the Ex-president of the petitioner Society, the subject building was constructed as a contribution to the Temple by the Ex-president of the Society. He would submit that when the petitioner has constructed a super structure and donated to the respondent Temple, the 2nd respondent has passed the present impugned order



fixing fair rent, without providing any opportunity to the petitioner. Hence, the present writ petition is filed.

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3. The learned Government Counsel appearing for the respondents would fairly submit that in the present case without providing any opportunity to the petitioner, the present impugned order was passed. However, he would submit that if any order is passed by this Court, the same will be complied with.

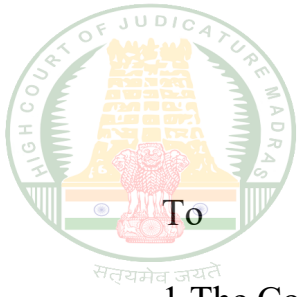
4. In such view of the matter, the impugned order passed by the 2nd respondent dated 05.02.2025 is set aside. While setting aside the same, this matter is remitted back to the 2nd respondent and the 2nd respondent is directed to pass appropriate orders regarding fixation of fair rent, after issuing notice and an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner and also taking into consideration of donating of the super structure in favour of the Temple by the petitioner.

5. In view of the same, this Writ Petition is allowed. No costs.

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

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