



W.P.(MD)No.10307 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 15.04.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

W.P.(MD)No.10307 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD)No.8103 of 2026

S.Vasudevan

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Commissioner
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
College Road, Nungambakkam,
Chennai-600034.
- 2.The Joint Commissioner / Executive Officer,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Suchindram,
Kanyakumari District.
- 3.The Sreekariyam,
Thirumalai Devaswom,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Munchirai,
Kanyakumari District.
- 4.Sreedhara Narayanaru @ Pradeep Namboothiri,
Nellikavilai Madom,
Edaicode, Kanyakumari District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 3 herein to permit the petitioner herein being the hereditary Thantric of Arulmigu Parthasarathi Thirukovil, Parthivapuram, Puthukadai, Kanyakumari District to do



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the thantric rituals in the upcoming festival, by considering the representation of the petitioner dated 21.03.2026 forthwith.

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For Petitioner : Mr.C.Kishore
For R1 : Mr.M.Sarangan
Additional Government Pleader
For R2 and R3 : Mr.R.Shankarganesh

ORDER

The writ petition has been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to permit the petitioner, who claims to be the Hereditary Thantric of Arulmigu Parthasarathi Thirukovil, Parvathipuram, Puthukadai, Kanyakumari District, to perform the Thantric rituals in the upcoming festival, by considering his representation dated 21.03.2026.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner's right has already been recognized; however, he was suddenly not being permitted to perform the Thantric rituals for the upcoming festival.

3. When the matter was taken up for admission, the learned counsel appearing for the respondents 2 and 3, on instructions, submitted that there had been certain differences between some devotees of the temple and the petitioner. In view of the same, the temple had initially contemplated engaging another



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Thantric for the upcoming consecration and other festivals. However, it was further submitted that the issues have since been resolved and that the temple has now decided to continue with the petitioner for performing the said poojas.

4. In view of the above submission, the grievance of the petitioner stands redressed. Recording the submission made on behalf of the temple, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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