



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated: 20.04.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE D.BHARATHA
CHAKRAVARTHY**

**W.P(MD)No.10887 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)Nos.8497 of 2026**

S.Murugan

... Petitioner

- Vs. -

1.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Office of the Joint Commissioner,
Tiruchirappalli-620 005.

2.The Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Lakshmi Narasingha Perumal Temple,
Odathurai, Trichy East Taluk,
Tiruchirappalli-620 002.

... Respondents

Prayer :Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court Writ Petition, filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this court to issue a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records of 1st respondent in proceedings of the Na.Ka.No.1961952/2025/E1 dated 29.11.2025 consequential objection notice of the 2nd respondent dated 12.03.2026 and quash the same as illegal.

For Petitioner

:Mr.M.Ashok Kumar

For R1

:Mr.M.Sarangan

Additional Government Pleader

For R2

:Mr.S.Devasena

**ORDER**

The writ petitioner is a tenant under the second respondent temple.

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2.It is the claim of the petitioner that he is the tenant in respect of the land and he has put up his own superstructures and is in possession and occupation by paying the monthly rent. While so, by the impugned order, the rent is proposed to be increased and manifold times and the petitioner will not be in a position to pay such huge rent. Even though the petitioner has submitted his objection, the second respondent may take such steps to seal the premise and therefore, the petitioner is before this Court.

3.Per Contra, the learned counsel took notice on behalf of the second respondent would submit that on perusal of the notice, it can be seen that it is a show cause notice inviting objection for fixation of fair rent. The petitioner has already submitted his objection. It will be duly considered by giving opportunity to the petitioner and the Committee will hear the petitioner and further orders of fixation of fair rent is passed if only he default further thereafter steps will be taken in the manner known to law to evict him.



4.I have considered the rival submissions made on either side and perused the material records of the case.

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5.Since the impugned order nothing but show cause notice inviting objection from the petitioner for fixating of fair rent. It will be open for the petitioner to send his objections. It is stated that already objections are sent, the same will be placed before the committee. Let the committee also give an opportunity to the petitioner for personal hearing. Thereafter final orders can be passed fixing the final fair rent. In the meanwhile, the apprehension of the petitioner that the shops will be sealed is not correct inasmuch as the authority will have to take recourse to the manner known to law, that is by initiation of proceedings under Sections 78-79 of the Act, for eviction, without which the petitioner premises will not be sealed.

6.Recording the above and keeping open the liberty of the petitioner to agitate before the committee, all his grievances, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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NCC:Yes/No



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