

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IA 1 in & Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil)...../2008
CC 4783/2008

(From the judgement and order dated 04/03/2008 in OSA No. 25/2008 & OSA No.388/2007 & OSA No. 389/2007 of The HIGH COURT OF MADRAS)

S.D.MOHANDAS GANDHI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BISHOP, TELC. & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(for permission to file SLP and prayer for interim relief)

Date: 07/04/2008 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK BHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DALVEER BHANDARI

For Petitioner(s) Mr. K.Ramamoorthi, Sr. Adv.
Mr. P.V. Yogeswaran, Adv.
Mr. Yaswant, Adv.

For Respondent(s) Mr.L.N.Rao, Sr. Adv.
Mr.Senthil Jagadeesan, Adv.
Mr. Vijay Thakur, Adv.

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
ORDER
Permission to file the SLP is granted.

The issue in this case is whether the elections to the Church Council of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church are to be held under the supervision of the Bishop of the Church (respondent No.1 herein) as provided under the Bye-laws of the Church or under the supervision of a retired Judge, as has been appointed by the learned Single Judge.

Heard learned senior counsel for the parties.
After hearing learned senior counsel for the parties, we are

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satisfied that elections to the Church Council of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church should be held under the supervision of Mr. Justice J.Kanagaraj who has been appointed as Administrator.

At this stage, Mr. L.N.Rao, learned senior

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counsel appearing for the Bishop states that election process up to sixth stage is already over under the supervision of the Bishop of the Church (referred to pages 48 & 49 of the paper book wherein the time schedule consisting of thirteen stages in respect of the election process has been given).

In such circumstances, we direct that hence forth i.e. from seventh stage to thirteenth stage, as mentioned at pages 48 and 49 of the paper book, elections shall be held under the supervision of Mr. Justice J.Kanagaraj who has been appointed as Administrator by the learned Single Judge.

With these observations, the special leave petition is disposed of.

(Parveen Kr. Chawla)
Court Master

(Kanwal Singh)
Court Master