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Court : Chennai

Decided On : Jan-12-2026

Judge : Honourable Mr.Justice D.Bharatha Chakravarthy

Appeal No. : WP/1207/2026

Appellant : A.Radhakrishnan

Respondent : The Commissioner

Judgement :

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 12.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY
Mr.A.Radhakrishnan ... Petitioner Vs

1. The Commissioner, Hindu Religious & Charitable Endowments Department, 119, Nungambakkam High Road, Chennai - 600 034.
2. The District Executive Magistrate / Collector,
3. The Commissioner of Police, Line Medu, Salem - 636 001.

4. The Joint Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department, Nethimedu, Salem - 636 002.

5. The Chairman Board of Trustees/Fit Person,

6. The Assistant Commissioner / Executive Officer, Salem Town - 636 001. ... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to take appropriate administrative and security measures in connection with the Kumbabishekam schedule on 28.01.2026 at 6th respondent temple by considering petitioners representation dated 25.09.2025 and 22.12.2025 and pass such further or other orders. For Petitioner : Mr.R.Marudhachalamurthy For Respondents : Mr.K.Karthikeyan Government Advocate (HR & CE) for R1 & R4 to R6 : Dr.C.E.Pratap Government Advocate (Crl.side) for R3 : Mr.S.Senthil Murugan Special Government Pleader for R2

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking a mandamus, directing the respondents to take appropriate administrative and security measures in connection with the Kumbabishekam scheduled to be conducted on 28.01.2026 at the 6th respondent temple, by considering the petitioners representations dated 25.09.2025 and 22.12.2025.

2. When the matter came up for hearing today, the learned

Government Advocate (HR & CE) would submit that a communication has already been issued to all the line Departments, including the Commissioner of Police, Salem, and therefore, due protection from the police will be provided. Such other protective measures, such as erection of barricade etc., will also be undertaken before the Kumbabishekam to regulate the crowd.

3. In view thereof, the HR & CE authorities and the police shall

ensure smooth darshan of the devotees and the conduct of the festival, ensuring the life and security of everyone. The authorities shall act upon the receipt of the web copy of the order, without waiting for the certified copy.

4. Accordingly, the writ petition stands disposed of. No costs. 12.01.2026 Neutral Citation: No veda To

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D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY, J.

veda 12.01.2026

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