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So, Kalaignar TV put forth absolute BS about Sadhguru's posting regarding temples with a supposed 'expert' who is good at speaking lies left, right and centre.

This post will throw some light on these lies and expose the people who are spreading them.

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Thirumavelan is the guy chosen for spreading this propaganda by KTV.

#1: He starts by saying that saints should not do campaigns.

I do not know why he remained silent when open campaigns were done for DMK in churches and mosques. Perhaps because it suited their agenda?

#2: Thirumavelan goes on to try & re-emphasize the same old lie about Isha occupying forest lands.

Though he chose to not mention it, rebuttals have long been given along with the survey numbers also to show that they have not touched any forest land.

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#3: Then there is a dumb comparison of temple vs hospital.

First of all, temples were not started by government but some hospitals were. So, temples are technically NOT the property of Govt.

By the way, you never say 'Govt property' but always refer to it as 'Public property'.

That's because there is nothing called as Government property as per law. A Government is just a body representing the public for governance. Anything the Government builds comes out of public money.

This just shows their poor knowledge of what public property is & its legality.

Coming to temples being built by kings, they also used public money. So, temples WERE NOT property of the kings either, to transfer it to the government after independence.

Nowhere in law does it say temples belong to Govt. These folks are just blabbering something.

#4: Thirumavelan attributes some of these statements to PTR palanivel rajan.

How convenient to choose someone from their own party & picking what is suitable for their narrative from his speeches?

We do not even know if Mr PTR did say all these. Even that could be a lie.

#5: Another dumb argument is that HRCE act was formed by Brahmin lawyers to stop looting of temples at that time.

But weren't the British looting it at that time? And right now, temples are being looted by Dravidian parties. So, should everyone just keep watching this loot?

Media records are clear about how temple property is being abused and lands are being usurped.

Just some samples ...

https://t.co/3vmKkRFnAB

https://t.co/sxQIqYrsWI

https://t.co/9BO4R2AYTF

So, where was this Thirumavelan all this time when Hindu temples are being abused?

#6: Thiruvalen claims Panagal king put forth the HRCE act.

Truth is that in 1840, East India Company passed a directive to return the temples to their trustees, because Christian missionaries, in India and abroad, did not like the idea of Christians managing Hindu temples.

So, temple management was slowly, handed over to trustees and in case of prominent temples to Mutts by 1845.

Next came The Religious Endowments Act 1863, which handed over temple administration to the trustees from the British government.

Only in 1925 was The Madras Religious and Charitable Endowments Act introduced by the British. It drew large protests from Muslims and Christians.

It was redrafted to exclude them, made applicable to Hindus only and renamed as the Madras Hindu Religious and Endowments Act 1927.

In 1925, Gurdwaras were legally brought under the control of an elected body of Sikhs.

Post-Independence, the Tamil Nadu government took control of temples and their funds by an act passed in 1951 called the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1951.

The act's provisions were challenged in Madras High Court and subsequently in Supreme Court in Shirur Math case. Many provisions of the 1951 act were struck down by both courts.

With some changes, The Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act was passed in 1959.

Guys like Thirumavelan are trying to set their own narrative and twist even documented history of the temples management laws.

#7: Next comes another lie that money of a temple cannot be used by anyone else but the government and that govt doesn't use it for other religions.

Anyone who knows how Haj subsidy started and how it was withdrawn will understand what the truth is.

https://t.co/G0wUXKGkEw

Thirumavelan's statement is a blatant lie and not a phenomenon unique to Tamilnadu alone.

Many state governments are caught openly diverting funds from temples for other purposes.

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Why are people like Thirumavelan silent on this? Is it because it does not suit his agenda?

#8: The biggest lie of them all is that when the HRCE was formed, only 6000 temples were there and now 36,000 temples are there.

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As per documented records, in Tamilnadu alone, there are over 33,000 ancient temples, many at least 800 to 5000 years old.

This is publicly available data and has been published by the TN Hindu Endowments Board itself.

There are people who believe such blatant lies being propagated by Thirumavelan and gang. I pity them and can only ask them to be rational & look for facts.

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