



W.P.Crl.(MD)No.2430 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : **27.04.2026**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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D.Manikandan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by Superintendent of Police,
Theni District, Theni.

2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Andipatti,
Theni District.

3. The Inspector of Police,
Kadamalaikundu Police Station,
Theni District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to grant adequate police protection and also grant permission to celebrate Arulmigu Kwajiamman, Arulmigu Govindan and Arulmigu Karuppasamy Temples situated at Kadamalaikundu, Andipatti Taluk, Theni District and to provide adequate police protection for the performance of religious rituals scheduled during Chitra Pournami festivals on 30.04.2026, 01.05.2026 and 02.05.2026, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.04.2026.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Vikram

For Respondents : Mr.S.Ravi

Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

This petition has been filed seeing for a direction to the respondents to grant adequate police protection and also grant permission to celebrate Arulmigu Kwajiamman, Arulmigu Govindan and Arulmigu Karuppasamy Temples situated at Kadamalaikundu, Andipatti Taluk, Theni District and to provide adequate police protection for the performance of religious rituals scheduled during Chitra Pournami festivals on 30.04.2026, 01.05.2026 and 02.05.2026, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.04.2026.

2. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent police submitted that already the rival party had filed a writ petition before this Court in WP.Crl.(MD)No. 1538 of 2026 in which the petitioner herein is the 4th respondent and this Court, by order dated 25.03.2026 had already given permission for the petitioner therein to conduct Chitra Pournami festival and had also directed the 4th respondent, who is the petitioner herein, to extend all cooperation facilitating the petitioner herein to conduct the same. However, the petitioner had come



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before this Court on the guise that the respondent police may prevent them from participating in the function. He further insisted that this writ petition itself is misconceived and sought for dismissal of this writ petition.

3. Considering the limited scope of the relief sought for, I don't find any merit in this writ petition. However, since the petitioner apprehends that he may be prevented by the respondent police from participating in Chitra Pournami festival and all connected religious rituals pertaining to Arulmigu Kwajiamman, Arulmigu Govindan and Arulmigu Karuppasamy Temples situated at Kadamalaikundu, Andipatti Taluk, Theni District, this Court makes it clear that the petitioner shall not be prevented from participating in the function.

4. With the above observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

27.04.2026

NCC : Yes / No
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L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.

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TO:-

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2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Andipatti,
Theni District.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Kadamalaikundu Police Station,
Theni District.
4. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

Order made in
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Dated
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