

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16.11.2015

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.SUNDRESH

W.P.No.36453 of 2015

N.Duraisamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Inspector of Police,
Modakurichi Police Station,
Erode District.

... Respondent

Petition filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondent to give permission to conduct the dance programme in the event of Arulmigu Mariamman Tirukoil festival on 27.11.2015 at Modakkurichi, Erode District.

For Petitioner : Ms.D.Uma Devi

For Respondent : Mr.V.Subbiah, Spl.Govt.Pleader

O R D E R

Seeking permission to conduct a cultural programme scheduled to be held on 27.11.2015 at Arulmigu Mariamman Tirukoil festival, Modakkurichi, Erode District, the petitioner made a representation dated 4.11.2015 to the respondent. As the same has not been considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

2.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondent.

3.Learned Special Government Pleader on instructions, would submit that there is likelihood of law and order problem.

4.A mere apprehension cannot be a ground to reject the representation. There is absolutely no material before this Court to hold that there will be a law and order problem in the event of permission being granted. In such view of the matter, the writ petition is allowed and the petitioner is permitted to conduct festival cultural programme on 27.11.2015 at Arulmigu Mariamman Tirukoil festival, Modakkurichi, Erode District, however, with the following conditions:-

(a)The cultural programme in connection with temple Festival of Arulmigu Mariamman Tirukoil, Modakkurichi, Erode District, be held on 27.11.2015 between 06.00 p.m and 10.30 p.m.

(b)There should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogues during the performance, by anyone of the participants.

(c)Double meaning songs should not be played so as to spoil the minds of students and youths.

(d)No dance or songs, touching upon any political party or religion or community or caste be played.

(e)No flex boards in support of any political party or communal leader be erected.

(f)The function should not affect either religious or communal harmony and shall be conducted without any discrimination based on caste.

(g)If there is any violation of any one of the conditions imposed, the concerned police officer is at liberty to take necessary action, as per law and stop such performance; and

(h)Similarly, the police is entitled to stop the dance programme, if it exceeds beyond the permitted time.

(i)The respondent is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions. No costs.

-s/d-

Assistant Registrar

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

To

The Inspector of Police,
Modakkurichi Police Station,
Erode District.

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