



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 7.9.2015

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE Ms.JUSTICE R.MALA

W.P. (MD) No.16176 of 2015

K.Kannadasan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Pudukkottai District,Pudukkottai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Aranthangi Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents herein to grant permission and protection to conduct the "Aadalum Paadalum" dance programme on 19.9.2015 from 7.00 pm to 11.00 pm in pursuant to the Santhanakappu festival of Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple situated at Mookkudi Village, Aliyanilai Post, Aranthangi Taluk, Pudukkottai District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 31.8.2015.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Suresh

For Respondents : Mr.D.Muruganantham

Additional Government Pleader.

O R D E R

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to grant permission and protection to conduct the "Aadalum Paadalum" dance programme on 19.9.2015 from 7.00 pm to 11.00 pm in pursuant to the Santhanakappu festival of Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple situated at Mookkudi Village, Aliyanilai Post, Aranthangi Taluk, Pudukkottai District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 31.8.2015.

2.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct the said Santhanakappu festival of Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple, with "Aadal Padal programme" on 19.9.2015. In this connection, a representation was given to the respondents police, with a request to grant permission to conduct the programme on the above said date, however, the respondents Police have not considered the request of the petitioner and hence, the petitioner is before this Court with this Writ Petition. The learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that as the said festival is celebrated in a peaceful manner by the villagers, there will be no untoward incident by the people of the village.

4.The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents, on instructions, would submit that the permission sought for by the petitioner may be granted with stringent conditions for maintaining law and order and also to avoid any untoward incident during performance of such programme.

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5.Having considered the facts and circumstances and the



submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents, this Court is of the view that necessary permission shall be granted to the petitioner and his Villagers to conduct "Adal Padal programme" / "cultural dance programme" in connection with the above said festival.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of with the following directions:

(a) The cultural dance programme in connection with Santhanakappu festival of Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple be held on 19.9.2015 between 7.00 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 the youth

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

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

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

(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 empowered to stop the dance programme, if it exceeds beyond the permitted time.

(i) The participants of the programme shall not intake any kind of toxic substance or liquor during the programme;

(j) If there is any untoward incident took place, the village people and the organizers of the programme be made responsible for the same;

(k) The respondent concerned is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions.

No costs.

Sd/-

The Assistant Registrar(co)

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Pudukkottai District, Pudukkottai.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Aranthangi Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.

+1cc to Mr.M.Suresh, Advocate SR.No.52265

+1cc to special Government Pleader SR.No.52487

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