



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29.04.2015

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**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.M. SUNDRESH**

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W.P (MD) No.7361 of 2015

Shanmugasundaram

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukottai District.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukottai District.

3.The Sub-Inspector of Police,  
Viralimalai Police Station,  
Illupur Taluk,  
Pudukottai District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for the issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission and police protection to perform the various cultural programmes including Adal Padal on 07.05.2015 in connection with the Vaikasi Thiruvizha of Sri Meikannudaiyal Kovil Thiruvizha, Kalaignar Nagar, Manamettupatti, Viralimalai, Illupur Taluk, Pudukottai District.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian

For Respondents : Mr.R.Karthikeyan

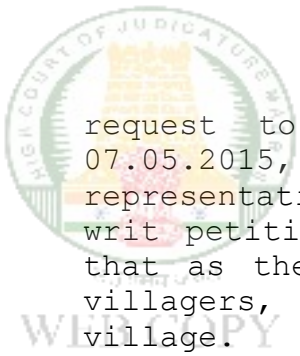
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**ORDER**

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission and police protection to perform the various cultural programmes including Adal Padal on 07.05.2015 in connection with the Vaikasi Thiruvizha of Sri Meikannudaiyal Kovil, Kalaignar Nagar, Manamettupatti, Viralimalai, Illupur Taluk, Pudukottai District.

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

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is the member of the above said village and a devotee of Sri Meikannudaiyal Kovil, Kalaignar Nagar, Manamettupatti, Viralimalai, Illupur Taluk, Pudukottai District and every year temple festival is being conducted by the villagers in the month of Vaigasi and this year also the villagers jointly decided to conduct the village temple festival on 07.05.2015 with "Aadal Padal programme". In this connection, a representation was given on 27.04.2015 to the respondents, with a



request to grant permission to conduct "Adal Padal Programme" on 07.05.2015, however, no order was passed by the respondents on the said representation and hence the petitioner is before this Court with this writ petition. The learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that as the temple festival is celebrated in a peaceful manner by the villagers, there will be no untoward incident by the people of the village.

4. Mr.R.Karthikeyan, 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 problem and also to avoid any untoward incident during performance of such programme.

5. Having considered the facts and circumstances and the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate 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' in connection with the temple festival of Sri Meikannudaiyal Kovil, Kalaingar Nagar, Manamettupatti, Viralimalai, Illupur Taluk, Pudukottai District.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of with the following directions:

(a) The cultural programme in connection with temple Festival at Sri Meikannudaiyal Kovil, Kalaingar Nagar, Manamettupatti, Viralimalai, Illupur Taluk, Pudukottai District to be held on 07.05.2015 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 limit.

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

No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(T & P)

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Sub Assistant Registrar



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