

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.04.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.SUBBIAH

Writ Petition No.14672 of 2016

1. P. Gopi ... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Inspector of Police,
Mallur Police Station,
Mallur, Salem District. ... Respondent

Writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for a Writ of mandamus directing the respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 06.04.2016 in seeking permission and protection to conduct the cultural programme in Mallur Sri Mariamman Koil at Mallur, Salem District scheduled to be held on 30.04.2016 from 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. within the stipulated period as fixed by this Honourable Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Parthasarathy

For Respondent : Mr.V.Jayaprakash Narayanan
Spl.Govt. Pleader

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ORDER

By consent, the main writ petition itself is taken up for final disposal.

2. Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme on 30.4.2016 at Sri Mariamman Koil situated in Mallur, Salem District, the petitioner made a representation dated 6.4.2016 to the respondent. As the same has not been considered so far, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. I have heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader, who has taken notice on behalf of the respondent.

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

5. A mere apprehension cannot be a ground to reject the representation of the petitioner. 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 cultural programme on 30.4.2016 at Sri Mariamman Koil situated in Mallur, Salem District, however, with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with temple Festival at Sri Mariamman Koil situated in Mallur, Salem District, to be held on 30.04.2016 between 06.00 p.m. and 10.30 p.m.

(b) There should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogue 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.

Further, the respondent is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions. No costs.

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Sd/-
Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Mallur Police Station,
Mallur, Salem District.

+ 1 cc to Mr.S.Parthasarathy, Advocate, S.R.No.24769

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