

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 8/3/2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.SUBBIAH

Writ Petition No.8553 of 2016

K. Viswanathan ... Petitioner

Vs

The Inspector of Police
Suramangalam Police Station
Salem District. ... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a writ of mandamus to direct the respondent authority to give permission to conduct the cultural programme in the event of Salathampatti Sri Mariamman Kovil Thiruvizha on 10/3/2016 at Salathampatti, Salem Taluk and District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 4/3/2016.

For Petitioner ... Mr.R.P.Murugan Raja

For respondent ... Mr.V.Jayaprakash Narayanan
Special Government Pleader

O R D E R

With the consent of the learned counsel appearing on either side, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal, at the admission stage itself.

2. Heard Mr.R.P.Murugan Raja, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.V.Jayaprakash Narayanan, learned Special Government Pleader for the respondent.

3. Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme, on 10/3/2016, at Salathampatti Sri Mariamman Kovil, Salathampatti, Salem Taluk and District, by considering the petitioner's representation, dated 4/3/2016, to the respondent. As the same has not been considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

4. The learned Additional Government Pleader, on instructions, would submit that there is a likelihood of arising law and order problem.

5. 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.

6. In such view of the matter, the writ petition is allowed and the petitioner is permitted to conduct cultural programme, on 10/3/2016 at Salathampatti Sri Mariamman Kovil Thiruvizha on 10/3/2016 at Salathampatti, Salem Taluk and District, however with the following conditions:-

(a). The cultural programme in connection with temple Festival at Salathampatti Sri Mariamman Kovil, Salathampatti, Salem Taluk and District, to be held on 10/3/2016, between 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 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.

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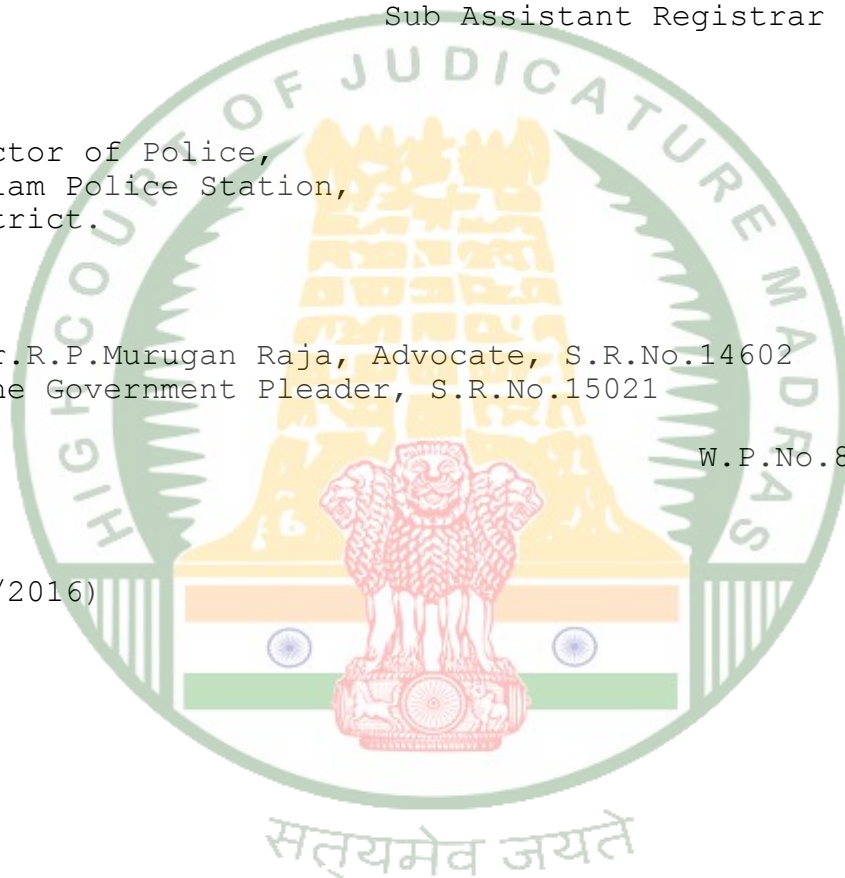
To

The Inspector of Police,
Suramangalam Police Station,
Salem District.

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