

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 16.03.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.SUBBIAH

Writ Petition No.9751 of 2016

K.Ganaga Jothi

... Petitioner

vs.

Inspector of Police
Latheri Police Station,
Latheri,
Vellore District - 632 002.

... Respondent

Writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for a Writ of mandamus directing the respondent authority to give permission and protection to conduct cultural program (Dance & Music Program) in the Ramapuram Shree Ponnaimman Kovil, situated at No.28/B, Main Road, Ramapuram Village, Soyamur Post, Latheri, Katpadi Taluk, Vellore District-632 002, scheduled to be held on 24.03.2016 from 6.00 p.m to 11.00 p.m.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Desinghu

For Respondent : Mr.S.Navaneethan
Addl. Govt. Pleader.

ORDER

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

2. Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme on 24.03.2016 at Ramapuram Shree Ponnaimman Kovil, situated at No.28/B, Main Road, Ramapuram Village, Soyamur Post, Latheri, Katpadi Taluk, Vellore District-632 002, the petitioner made a representation, dated 23.02.2016 to the respondent. As the same has not been considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondent.

4. Learned Additional 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. 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 24.03.2016 at Ramapuram Shree Ponnaimman Kovil, situated at No.28/B, Main Road, Ramapuram Village, Soyamur Post, Latheri, Katpadi Taluk, Vellore District-632 002, however, with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with temple Festival at Ramapuram Shree Ponnaimman Kovil, situated at No.28/B, Main Road, Ramapuram Village, Soyamur Post, Latheri, Katpadi Taluk, Vellore District-632 002, to be held on 24.03.2016 between 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 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.

-s/d-
Assistant Registrar

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

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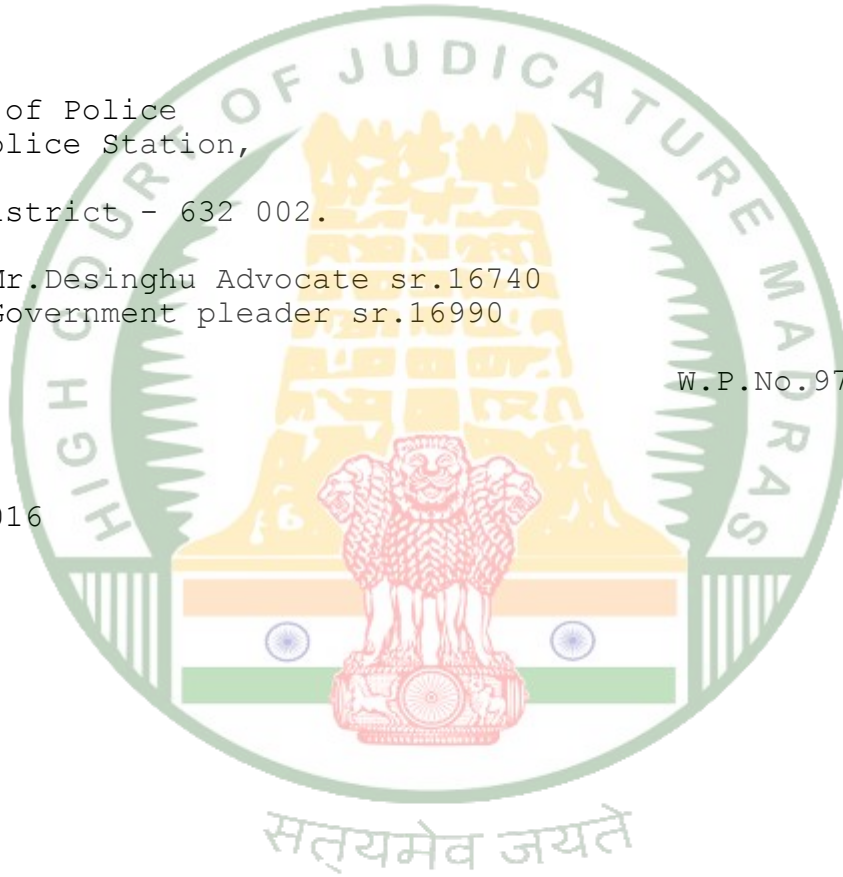
To

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