



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 22.03.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASH

W.P. (MD) No.5666 of 2016

P.Muthukalai

... Petitioner

-vs-

The Inspector of Police,
Kelavalavu Police Station,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent herein to grant permission for conducting "Annathanam" between 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on 24.03.2016 at Village Manthai of Ambalakaranpatty, for the festival in Sree Valladikarar Temple, Ambalakaranpatty, Melur Taluk, Madurai District, based on the petitioner's representation dated 19.03.2016.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.R.Ilayaraja
For Respondent	:	Mr.D.Muruganandam, Addl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondent to grant permission and protection for "Annathanam" scheduled to be held on 24.03.2016 between 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Annathanam" scheduled to be held on 24.03.2016. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 19.03.2016, with a request to grant permission to conduct the programme on the above said date. However, the respondent Police has not yet considered the said representation and hence, the petitioner is before this Court with this Writ Petition.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

4. This Court is aware of the fact that the Election Commission of India has announced time table for elections to the State Assembly and therefore, the Police will be under much



strain. Under such circumstances, it will not be advisable to grant permission for such programmes, if there are going to be a law and order problem.

5. However, in view of the limited scope of prayer sought for in this petition, the respondent police are directed to pass orders immediately on merits and in accordance with law either permitting or rejecting the representation dated 19.03.2016, given by the petitioner, taking into account the law and order problem and other aspects, prevailing in that area, as expeditiously as possible.

With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(AE)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Kelavalavu Police Station,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District.

2. The Addl.Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

+1cc to Mr.R.Ilayaraja,Advocate Sr.No.16137

+1cc to Additional GOVERNMENT Pleader Sr.No. 16309

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