



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 30.03.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASHW.P.(MD) No.6170 of 2016

S.Rajendran

... Petitioner

-vs-

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Keelavalavu Police Station,
Keelavalavu,
Madurai District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission and protection for Valli Thirumanam Drama scheduled to be held on 23.04.2016 and Annadhana Vizha scheduled to be held on 24.04.2016 at Arulmigu Sri Muniyandi Swamy Thirukovil at Kattakkalaipatti Village, Ambalakaranpatti Post, Melur Taluk, Madurai District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 22.03.2016.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Ananda Raj
For Respondent : Mr.D.Muruganandam,
Addl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondents to grant permission and protection for Valli Thirumanam Drama scheduled to be held on 23.04.2016 and Annadhana Vizha scheduled to be held on 24.04.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Valli Thirumanam Drama and Annadhana Vizha held on 23.04.2016 and 24.04.2016. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 22.03.2016, 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 on merits and in accordance with law either permitting or rejecting the representation dated 22.03.2016, 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. No costs.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar (RTI)

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

2. The Inspector of Police,
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Madurai District.

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