



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 05.04.2016

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

W.P.(MD) No.6649 of 2016

P.R.Renganathan

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thiruchendur, Tuticorin District
Tuticorin District

3.The Sub Inspector of Police,
Arumuganeri Police Station,
Arumuganeri
Tuticorin 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 necessary protection to perform the cultural programme (ie) Adal Padal on 19.04.2016 at 7.00 p.m. in the eve of Arulmigu Lakshmi ambal Kovil Kodai Festival at Odakarai, Kayalpattinam, Thiruchendur Taluk, Tuticorin District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 18.03.2016.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Ashok
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 Adal Padal program scheduled to be held on 19.04.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Adal Padal program scheduled to be held on 19.04.2016. He would further submit that in this representation was given to the respondent police on 18.03.2016, 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 18.03.2016, 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

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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

2. The Inspector of Police,
Masarpatti Police Station,
Masarpatti
Thoothukudi District.

3. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thiruchendur, Thoothukudi District

+1CC to Mr. J. Ashok Advocate Sr.No.19006
+1CC to Spl. Government Pleader Sr.No.19118

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