



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07.04.2016

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

W.P.(MD) No.6907 of 2016

A.Kottala Raja

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
Eral Police Station,
Eral-628801, 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 give permission to perform the cultural programme of Adal Padal (Kalai Nigaltchi) on 10.04.2016 in connection with the Kodai Festival in Arulmighu sri Kottaival Iyan Thirukovil at Umarikadu Srivaikundam Tk, Tuticorin District.

For Petitioner : Mr.Ohm Chairma Prabhu
For Respondents : Mr.D.Muruganandam,
Addl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondents to give permission to perform the cultural programme of Adal Padal (Kalai Nigaltchi) on 10.04.2016 in connection with the Kodai Festival in Arulmighu sri Kottaival Iyan Thirukovil at Umarikadu Srivaikundam Tk, Tuticorin District.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct the cultural programme of Adal Padal (Kalai Nigaltchi) on 10.04.2016 in connection with the Kodai Festival in Arulmighu sri Kottaival Iyan Thirukovil at Umarikadu Srivaikundam Tk, Tuticorin District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 05.04.2016, 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 already 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 any law and order problem.

5. However, in view of the limited scope of prayer sought for in this petition, the respondent police is directed to pass orders in accordance with law either permitting or rejecting the representation dated 05.04.2016, given by the petitioner, taking into account the law and order problem and other aspects, prevailing in the area, as expeditiously as possible.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/
Assistant Registrar(R)

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Sub Assistant Registrar.

To:

1. The Superintendent of Police,
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2. The Inspector of Police,
Eral Police Station,
Eral-628801, Tuticorin District.

3. The Additional Public Prosecutor, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

+1CC to the Special Government Pleader, SR.No. 19995

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