



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07.04.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASHW.P.(MD) No.6923 of 2016andW.M.P.(MD) No.5926 of 2016

M.Ravichandran

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District, Madurai.
- 2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Usilampatti, Madurai District.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
Usilampatti Police Station,
Madurai District.

.. Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 31.03.2016 and thereby direct the 2nd respondent to give permission to the petitioner for conducting Vallithirumanam Drama at the evening hours on 08.04.2016 and Aadal Padal Show at the evening hours on 09.04.2016 in the light of A/M. Santhana Mariamman and Muthu Mariamman Panguni Pongal Festival at K. Pothampatti village Usilampatti Taluk Madurai District.

For Petitioner : Mr.L.Praveen Kumar
For Respondents : Mr.D.Muruganandam,
Addl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the 2nd respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 31.03.2016 and thereby direct the 2nd respondent to give permission to the petitioner for conducting Vallithirumanam Drama at the evening hours on 08.04.2016 and Aadal Padal Show at the evening hours on 09.04.2016 in the light of A/M. Santhana Mariamman and Muthu Mariamman Panguni Pongal Festival at K. Pothampatti village Usilampatti Taluk Madurai District.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Vallithirumanam Drama at the evening hours on 08.04.2016 and Aadal Padal Show at the evening hours on 09.04.2016 in the light of A/M. Santhana Mariamman and Muthu Mariamman Panguni Pongal Festival at K. Pothampatti village, Usilampatti Taluk Madurai District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 31.03.2016, 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 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 31.03.2016, 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. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

Sd/
Assistant Registrar (CS-II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar.

To:

1. The Superintendent of Police,
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2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
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3. The Inspector of Police,
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+1CC to M/S.L. Praveen Kumar, Advocate, SR.No. 19871.

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