



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 12.04.2016

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

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W.P.(MD) No.7086 of 2016

P.Anna Prakash

... Petitioner

-vs-

The Inspector of Police,
Vadakarai Police Station,
Theni District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to grant permission and protection for cultural event namely Adal Padal scheduled to be held on 20.04.2016 at night in connection with Sithirai Festival in Arulmigu Sri Rajakali Amman Kovil at E.Puthu Kottai Village Periyakulam Taluk Theni District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 02.04.2016.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.J.Jeya Aron Raja
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 cultural event namely Adal Padal scheduled to be held on 20.04.2016 at night in connection with Sithirai Festival in Arulmigu Sri Rajakali Amman Kovil at E.Puthu Kottai Village Periyakulam Taluk Theni District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 02.04.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct cultural event namely Adal Padal scheduled to be held on 20.04.2016 at night in connection with Sithirai Festival in Arulmigu Sri Rajakali Amman Kovil, at E.Puthu Kottai Village, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 02.04.2016, 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.



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 02.04.2016, 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 (AS)

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

To:

1. The Inspector of Police,
Vadakarai Police Station,
Theni District.

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

+One cc to Mr. J. Jeya Aron Raja, Advocate, SR.No.20288

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