



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.04.2016

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

W.P.(MD) No.8382 of 2016

Srinivasan

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2. The Inspector of Police,
Athirampattinam Police Station,
Athirampattinam, Thanjavur 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 herein to grant permission and to provide police protection to conduct the cultural activities "Patti Mandram" programme on 20.05.2016 from 8.00 p.m. to 12.00 p.m. in pursuant to the 430th Year Vaikasi Visakam Perunthiruvizha' of Arulmigu Sree Santhana Mariamman Thirukovil, situate at Karaiyur Street, Athirampattinam, Pattukottai Taluk, Thanjavur District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 04.04.2016.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Anandan

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 Pattimandram scheduled to be held on 20.05.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Pattimandram scheduled to be held on 20.05.2016. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 04.04.2016, 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 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 is directed to pass orders on merits and in accordance with law either permitting or rejecting the representation dated 04.04.2016, 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

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Thanjavur District, Thanjavur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Athirampattinam Police Station,
Athirampattinam, Thanjavur District.

+1cc to Mr.S.Deenadhayalan, Advocate, Sr.No.24407

+1cc to the Special Government Pleader, Sr.No.24634

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