



**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED: 28.04.2016**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASH**

**W.P(MD)No.8443 of 2016**

**WEB COPY**

S.Ramesh

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2.The Inspector of Police,  
Odaipatti Police Station,  
Theni District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent herein to grant permission to conduct the cultural function and Drama at Lord Sri Arulmighu Ambigai Mariamman Temple, Seepalakottai Village, Chinnamanoor Union, Theni District in connection with the celebration of the Arulmighu Ambigai Mariamman Temple festival on 10th and 11th days of May 2016.

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| For Petitioner  | : Ms.V.P.M.Vaishnavi                             |
| For Respondents | : Mr.Aayiram K.Selvakumar<br>Government Advocate |

### **O R D E R**

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the second respondent herein to grant permission to conduct the cultural function and Drama at Lord Sri Arulmighu Ambigai Mariamman Temple, Seepalakottai Village, Chinnamanoor Union, Theni District in connection with the celebration of the Arulmighu Ambigai Mariamman Temple festival on 10th and 11th days of May 2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct the cultural function and Drama at Lord Sri Arulmighu Ambigai Mariamman Temple, Seepalakottai Village, Chinnamanoor Union, Theni District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 26.04.2016, 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



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 26.04.2016, 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 (T&P)

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Sub Assistant Registrar  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai.

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To

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2. The Inspector of Police,  
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