



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
DATED: 29.04.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.N. PRAKASH
W.P(MD) No. 8769 of 2016

S.Chandran

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
Thenkarai Police Station,
Periyakulam,
Theni District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to provide sufficient police protection during the performance of Vaigasi Festival in A/m.Sri Kalliamman Thirukoil, Saruthupatti Village, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District scheduled on 24.05.2016 to 26.05.2016 with cultural programme of Adal Padal scheduled on 25.05.2016.

For Petitioner	: Mr.K.Appadurai
For Respondents	: Mr.D.Muruganantham Additional Government Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondents herein to provide sufficient police protection during the performance of Vaigasi Festival in A/m.Sri Kalliamman Thirukoil, Saruthupatti Village, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District scheduled on 24.05.2016 to 26.05.2016 with cultural programme of Adal Padal scheduled on 25.05.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Adal Padal scheduled on 25.05.2016 in A/m.Sri Kalliamman Thirukoil, Saruthupatti Village, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 19.04.2016, 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 19.04.2016, 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
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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To

1.The Superintendent of Police,
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