



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29.04.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASHW.P(MD)No.8835 of 2016

M.Perumal

... Petitioner

-vs-

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
Pudukottai Police Station,
Pudukottai,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to give permission and police protection to conduct temple festival of Sri Muthaaramman Kovil at Mudivaithanenthal, Thoothukudi Taluk and District to be held on May 9, 10 and 11th day of 2016 by considering the petitioner's representation, dated 25.04.2016 within the period stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Mohamed Sherbudeen

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 to give permission and police protection to conduct temple festival of Sri Muthaaramman Kovil at Mudivaithanenthal, Thoothukudi Taluk and District to be held on May 9, 10 and 11th day of 2016 by considering the petitioner's representation, dated 25.04.2016 within the period stipulated by this Court.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct temple festival of Sri Muthaaramman Kovil at Mudivaithanenthal, Thoothukudi Taluk and District to be held on May 9, 10 and 11th day of 2016. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 25.04.2016, with a request to grant permission to conduct the programme on the above said date. 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 25.04.2016, 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 Superintendent of Police,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Pudukottai Police Station,
Pudukottai,
Thoothukudi District.

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

+One cc to Mr. M. Mohamed Sherbudeen, Advocate, SR.No.25304

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