



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 11.05.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.KALAIYARASAN

W.P.(MD) No.9180 of 2016

T.Sutharsan

... Petitioner

-vs-

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Salaigramam Police Station,
Ilayangudi Taluk,
Sivagangai District.

.. Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant police permission and protection to stage of Adal Padal Cultural Program in the Annual Festival of the Arulmigu Sri Maha Sathaiya Ayyinar Temple, Sathanoor, Ilayangudi Taluk, Sivagangai District on the night of 11.05.2016 (between 6 p.m. To 11 p.m.,).

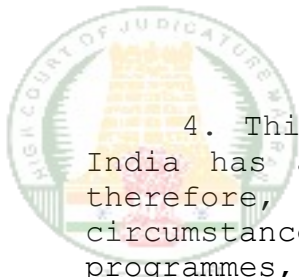
For Petitioner :Mr.V.K.Saravanan

For Respondent :Mr.D.Muruganandam
Addl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondents to grant police permission and protection to stage of Adal Padal Cultural Program in the Annual Festival of the Arulmigu Sri Maha Sathaiya Ayyinar Temple, Sathanoor, Ilayangudi Taluk, Sivagangai District on the night of 11.05.2016 (between 6 p.m. To 11 p.m.,) by considering the petitioner's representation dated 28.04.2016.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct cultural function viz., Aadal Padal Cultural Program in the Annual Festival of the Arulmigu Sri Maha Sathaiya Ayyinar Temple, Sathanoor, Ilayangudi Taluk, Sivagangai District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 28.04.2016, with a request to grant permission to conduct the programme on the above said date. However, the respondents have 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 announced elections to the State Assembly on 16.05.2016 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.

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5. However, in view of the limited scope of prayer sought for in this petition, the respondent police are directed to pass orders on merits and in accordance with law either permitting or rejecting the representation dated 28.04.2016, 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.

Sd/
Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar.

To:

- 1.The Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Salaigramam Police Station,
Ilaiyangudi Taluk,
Sivagangai District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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