



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 25.05.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.S.SUNDAR

W.P.(MD) No.9531 of 2016

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M.Mariappan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Dindigul District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Batlangundu Police Station,
Dindigul District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to grant permission to conduct Aadal Padal festival on 26.05.2016 at 7.00 p.m., in Batlangundu give adequate police protection in connection with the temple festival of Arulmigu Sri Muthumariamman Kovil, Batlagundu, Nilakkottai Taluk, Dindigul District.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Mariappan

For Respondent : Mr.D.Muruganandam,
Additional Government Pleader

O R D E R

The petitioner has come forward with this Writ Petition for issuance of a Mandamus seeking a direction to the respondent to grant permission and protection for cultural event namely, Adalpadal, scheduled to be held on 26.05.2016 in connection with temple festival in Arulmigu Sri Muthumariamman Kovil, Batlagundu, Nilakkottai Taluk, Dindigul District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 13.05.2016.

2.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct Adal Padal on 26.05.2016 in connection with a festival at Arulmigu Sri Muthumariamman Kovil, Batlagundu, Nilakkottai Taluk, Dindigul District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent police on 13.05.2016, with a request to grant permission and protection 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.The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents would submit that this Court may grant permission for Aadal Paadal programme with stringent conditions.

<https://hcservices.courts.gov.in/hcservices/> learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.



5.Considering the limited scope of prayer sought for in this petition, the Writ Petition is disposed of with the following directions:

(a) the cultural dance programme in connection with the festival of Arulmigu Sri Muthumariamman Kovil, Batlagundu, Nilakkottai Taluk, Dindigul District be held on 26.05.2016 before 10.30 p.m.

(b) there should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogues during the performance, by any one of the participants;

(c) double meaning songs should not be played so as to spoil the minds of students and the youth;

(d) no dance or songs, touching upon any political party or religion, community or caste be played;

(e) no flex boards in support of any political party or religious leader be erected;

(f) the function should not affect either religious or communal harmony and shall be conducted without any discrimination based on caste;

(g) if there is any violation of any one of the conditions imposed, the concerned Police Officer is at liberty to take necessary action, as per law and stop such performance;

(h) similarly, the Police is empowered to stop the dance programme, if it exceeds beyond the permitted time;

(i) the participants of the programme shall not intake any kind of intoxicic substance or liquor during the programme; and

(j) if any untoward incident takes place, the organizers of the programme be made responsible for the same.

The respondent concerned is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions and ensure the observance of the conditions to maintain public order and tranquillity. It is open to the respondents to take appropriate action in the event of non-observance of the conditions stipulated.

6.With the above directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/
Vacation Officer

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To:

1.The Superintendent of Police, Dindigul District.

2.The Inspector of Police,

Batlangundu Police Station, Dindigul District.

+1cc to Special Government Pleader in SR.No.27011

+1cc to Mr.N.Mariappan, Advocate Sr.No.27159

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