

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

DATED: 10.07.2017

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.S.SUNDAR**W.P. (MD) No. 12665 of 2017**

M.Ravichandran

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Trichy District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Thuvakkudi Police Station,
Trichy District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to direct the respondents to grant permission to conduct Karakatta Kalai Cultural Programme in Sri Malayambal Temple Festival, Thirunedungulam, Trichy District on 19.07.2017 by considering the representation submitted by the petitioner dated 05.07.2017 in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Alagumani.

For Respondents : Mr.A.Muthukaruppan,
Additional Government Pleader.**O R D E R**

The petitioner has come forward with this Writ Petition for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to direct the respondents to grant permission to conduct Karakatta Kalai Cultural Programme in Sri Malayambal Temple Festival, Thirunedungulam, Trichy District on 19.07.2017 by considering the representation submitted by the petitioner dated 05.07.2017 in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Karakattam" and cultural programme on 19.07.2017 in connection with a festival in "Sri Malayambal Temple" Festival, Thirunedungulam, Trichy District. He would further submit that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent on 08.07.2017, with a request to grant



permission and protection to conduct the programme on the above said date and the same was rejected by the second respondent, the petitioner is before this Court with this Writ Petition.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondent.

4. Since the "Karakattam" is recognised as a cultural programme with reference to temple festival, in almost several part of the state, this Court is inclined to give the following direction:

"The second respondent/Inspector of Police, Thuvakkudi Police Station, Trichy District, is directed to permit the petitioner and villagers to conduct "Karakattam" on 19.07.2017 subject to the following conditions and any other reasonable restrictions that may be imposed by the respondent in the interest of public and to preserve the law and order"

(a) the "Karakattam" programme in connection with the festival of ""Sri Malayambal Temple" Festival, Thirunedungulam, Trichy District, scheduled to be held on 19.07.2017 should be completed 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

if it exceeds beyond the permitted time;



(i) the participants of the programme shall not intake any kind of in-toxic 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.

No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(RTI)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Trichy District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Thuvakkudi Police Station,
Trichy District.

+1cc to M/S. R.ALAGUMANI, Advocate, SR.No.64356.

+1cc to Special Government Pleader, SR.No.64543.

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