

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT****DATED: 09.08.2017****CORAM****THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE S.S.SUNDAR****W.P. (MD) No.14860 of 2017**

R.Muthu Ganesh

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Virudhunagar District.2. The Inspector of Police,
Alangulam Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to grant permission and give police protection to conduct the "Aadalum Padalum" dance program at about 7.00p.m on 13.08.2017 in pursuance to the festival of "Arulmigu Sri Kaliyamman Thirukovil", situated in Alangulam, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District on considering the petitioner's representation dated 07.08.2017.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Karthick Subramanian

For Respondents : Mr.N.S.Karthikeyan
Additional Government Pleader**O R D E R**

This Writ petition is filed for issuing a Writ of Mandamus seeking a direction to the respondents to grant permission and protection for cultural event, namely, "Adal Padal" scheduled to be held on 13.08.2017 night at about 07.00.p.m at "Arulmigu Sri Kaliyamman Thirukovil" situated in Alangulam, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation dated 07.08.2017.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.



3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Adal Padal" programme on 13.08.2017 night at about 07.00.p.m. He further submitted that in this connection, a representation was given to the respondent on 07.08.2017, 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.

4. The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents submitted that this Court may grant permission for "Adal Padal" programme subject to stringent conditions.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the Writ Petition is disposed of with the following directions:

The 2nd respondent/The Inspector of Police, Alangulam Police Station, Virudhunagar District, is directed to consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 07.08.2017 and to give permission and to provide police protection for "Adal Padal" programme night at about 07.00.p.m at "Arulmigu Sri Kaliyamman Thirukovil" situated in Alangulam, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District, scheduled to be held on 13.08.2017, subject to the following conditions;

*(a) the "Adal Padal" programme in connection with the festival in "Arulmigu Sri Kaliyamman Thirukovil" situated in Alangulam, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District,, scheduled to be held on 13.08.2017 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 programme, 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.

6. It is open to respondent police to put any further restrictions or to impose any conditions purely in the interest of preserving public order and tranquillity. There can be a total ban for putting up any Flex Boards representing any community. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(AD-II)

/True Copy/

Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Virudhunagar District.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Alangulam Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.

+1cc to Mr.S.Karthick Subramanian, Advocate Sr.No.71812

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