



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
DATED: 21.08.2017

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

W.P. (MD) No.15623 of 2017

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V.Murugan

... Petitioner

-Vs-

The Inspector of Police,
Thuvarankurichi Police Station,
Trichy District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to give police protection to conduct cultural program (Music and Dance) on 26.08.2017 during the temple festival of "Arulmigu Mappillai Vinayagarr Temple" situated at Palayapalayam Village, Thuvarankurichi, Marungapuri Taluk, Trichy District by considering the representation of the petitioner dated 16.08.2017.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sekar
For Respondent : Mr.S.Sadhishkumar
Additional Government Pleader.

ORDER

This Writ petition is filed for issuing a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to give police protection to conduct cultural program (Music and Dance) on 26.08.2017 during the temple festival of "Arulmigu Mappillai Vinayagar Temple" situated at Palayapalayam Village, Thuvarankurichi, Marungapuri Taluk, Trichy District by considering the representation of the petitioner dated 16.08.2017.

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 the "Music and Dance" programme on 26.08.2017 in connection with the "Temple Festival" in "Arulmigu Mappillai Vinayagar Temple" situated at Palayapalayam Village, Thuvarankurichi, Marungapuri Taluk, Trichy District. He further submitted that in this connection, a representation was given to the second respondent on 01.08.2017, 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 "Music and Dance" 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 respondent/The Inspector of Police, Thuvarankurichi Police Station, Trichy District, is directed to consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 16.08.2017 and to give permission and to provide police protection for "Music and Dance" programme in connection with the "Arulmigu Mappillai Vinayagar Temple" situated at Palayapalayam Village, Thuvarankurichi, Marungapuri Taluk, Trichy District, scheduled to be held on 26.08.2017, subject to the following conditions;

(a) the "Music and Dance" programme in connection with the "Temple Festival" in "Arulmigu Mappillai Vinayagar Temple" situated at Palayapalayam Village, Thuvarankurichi, Marungapuri Taluk, Trichy District, scheduled to be held on 26.08.2017 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

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.

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Assistant Registrar

Sub Assistant Registrar

To

The Inspector of Police,
Thuvarankurichi Police Station,
Trichy District.

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