



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.10.2017

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.S.SUNDAR

W.P.(MD) No.19796 of 2017

S.Jeyalingam

... Petitioner

-Vs-

The Sub Inspector of Police,
Meignanapuram Police Station,
Tuticorin District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to grant permission to perform the cultural programme of "Adal Paadal" programme on 02.11.2017 night at about 08.00 pm to 12.00 am at Arulmigu Sri Mutharamman Thirukovil, situated at Chidambarapuram, Dhandapathu Post, Tuticorin District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation dated 25.10.2017.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Bethanasamy
For Respondent : Mr.D.Muruganadam
Additional Government Pleader.

ORDER

This Writ petition is filed for issuing a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to grant permission to perform the cultural programme of "Adal Paadal" programme on 02.11.2017 night at about 08.00 pm to 12.00 am at Arulmigu Sri Mutharamman Thirukovil, situated at Chidambarapuram, Dhandapathu Post, Tuticorin District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation dated 25.10.2017.

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

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided Adal Padal Dance Programme on 02.11.2017 in connection with temple festival at Arulmigu Sri Mutharamman Thirukovil, situated at Chidambarapuram, Dhandapathu Post, Tuticorin District. He further submitted that in this connection, a



representation was given to the respondent on 25.10.2017, 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.

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4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents submitted that this Court may grant permission for "Aadal 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 respondent/The Inspector of Police, Meignanapuram Police Station, Tuticorin District, is directed to consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 25.10.2017 and to give permission and to provide police protection for "Aadal Padal" programme in connection with temple festival at Arulmigu Sri Mutharamman Thirukovil, situated at Chidambarapuram, Dhandapathu Post, Tuticorin District, scheduled to be held on 02.11.2017, subject to the following conditions;

*(a) the "Aadal Padal" programme in connection with temple festival at Arulmigu Sri Mutharamman Thirukovil, situated at Chidambarapuram, Dhandapathu Post, Tuticorin District, scheduled to be held on 02.11.2017 should be completed before **10.30 p.m.** or as may be permitted by the second respondent police.*

(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) there should not be any Flex Boards representing any community or political leaders;

(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.

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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 (T&P)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

The Sub Inspector of Police,
Meignanapuram Police Station,
Tuticorin District.

+ 1 CC TO Mr.C.BETHANASAMY, ADVOCATE IN SR No. 84084
+ 1 CC TO SPECIAL GOVERNMENT PLEADER IN SR No. 84127

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