

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28.03.2018

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

Crl.OP.No.10088 of 2018

A.Murugan

.. Petitioner

Vs

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Salem District, Salem.

2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Mettur, Salem District,
Salem.

3. The Inspector of Police,
Mechri Police Station,
Salem District.

.. Respondents

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 Cr.PC, praying to direct the respondent to grant permission and provide police protection to the petitioner's village to conduct the cultural programme (Aadal Paadal) on the eve of temple festival of the Sri Sakthi Mariyamman Temple situated at Upparapatti, Vellaar Village and post, Mettur Taluk, Salem District which is scheduled to be conducted on 03.04.2018 based on the representation of the petitioner dated 24.03.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Prabakaran

For Respondents : Ms.V.Saratha Devi,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

O R D E R

Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme in the event of temple festival of the Sri Sakthi Mariyamman Temple situated at Upparapatti, Vellaar Village and post, Mettur Taluk, Salem District, the petitioner made a representation dated 24.03.2018 to the respondents. As the same has not been considered, the present criminal original petition has been filed.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent.

3. Learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side), on instructions, would submit that there is likelihood of arising law and order problem.

4. A mere apprehension cannot be a ground to reject the representation. There is absolutely no material before this Court to hold that there will be a law and order problem in the event of permission being granted. In such view of the matter, the criminal original petition is allowed and the petitioner is permitted to conduct cultural programme , however, with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with the event of "temple festival of the Sri Sakthi Mariyamman Temple situated at Upparapatti, Vellaar Village and post, Mettur Taluk, Salem District, shall be conducted on 03.04.2018 between 06.00 p.m. and 11.00 p.m.

(b) There should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogues during the performance, by anyone of the participants.

(c) Double meaning songs should not be played so as to spoil the minds of students and youths.

(d) No dance or songs, touching upon any political party or religion or community or caste shall be played.

(e) No flex boards in support of any political party or communal leader, shall be erected at the premises of the programme.

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

(g) If there is 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 forthwith; and

(h) Similarly, the police is directed to stop the dance programme, if it is played beyond the permitted time limit.

(i) The third respondent is directed to issue necessary protection and permission, incorporating the above conditions.

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Assistant Registrar (CS VIII)

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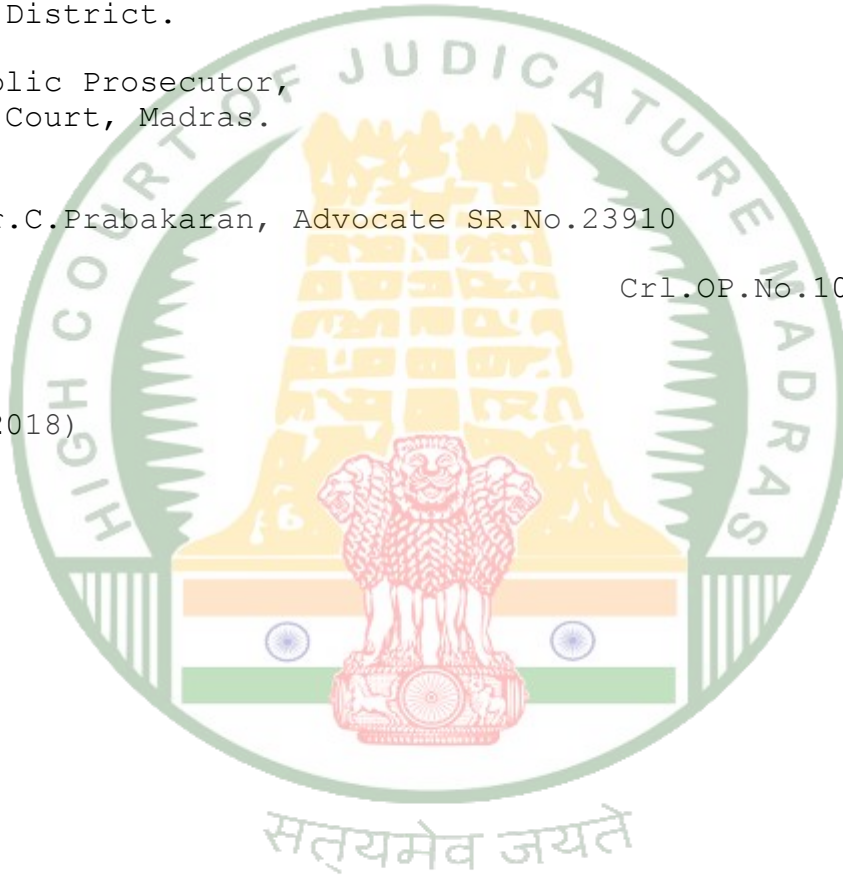
To

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Salem District, Salem.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Mettur, Salem District,
Salem.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Mechri Police Station,
Salem District.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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