



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.04.2018

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

W.P.(MD) No.9169 of 2018

V.Giridharan

... Petitioner

vs.

1. The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector Office,
Pudukottai District.

2. The Superintendent of Police,
Pudukottai,
Pudukottai District.

3. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Pudukottai,
Pudukottai District.

4. The Tahsildhar,
Ponnamaravathy Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to give permission and adequate police protection to conduct Jallikattu @ Virattu Manjuviratu to be held on 13.05.2018 at Theni Kanmai in Thenoor Village, Ponnamaravathy Taluk, Pudukottai District on the basis of the petitioner's representation dated 26.02.2018 and 19.04.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Mathavan

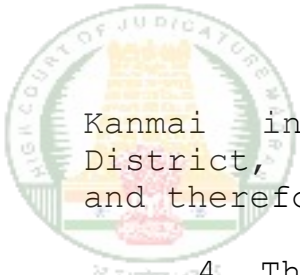
For Respondents : Mr.N.Shanmuga Selvam
Additional Government Pleader.

O R D E R

Mr.N.Shanmuga Selvam, learned Additional Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents.

2. By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

3. It is the grievance of the petitioner that his representations dated 26.02.2018 and 19.04.2018 seeking to conduct Jallikattu @ Virattu Manjuviratu to be held on 13.05.2018 at Theni



Kanmai in Thenoor Village, Ponnamaravathy Taluk, Pudukottai District, has not been considered by the respondents till date and therefore, he has filed the present writ petition.

4. This Court has not expressed any of its view with regard to the merits of the representation made by the petitioner. It is needless to point out that whenever a representation of this nature is made, the respondents are duty bound to consider the same in one way or the other. Non-consideration of the same would amount to dereliction of ordinary duties of their office and as such, this Court would be justified in invoking its powers conferred under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to direct them to consider the petitioner's representation within a stipulated time.

5. In view of the limited prayer sought for in this writ petition, there shall be a direction to the first respondent to consider the petitioner's representations dated 26.02.2018 and 19.04.2018 on its own merits and take further action in accordance with law, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Such an exercise shall be done after giving due opportunity to the petitioner as well as to any other persons who may be interested in the subject matter.

6. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(C.O.)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To:

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+1CC to Mr.G.Mathavan, Advocate, SR.No. 64272

+1CC to the Special Government Pleader SR.No.64150

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