



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 03.05.2018

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THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE **R. THARANI**W.P.(MD) No.10567 of 2018

K.Muthuraj

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Theni District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Thevathanapatti Police Station,
Theni District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the second respondent to grant permission to conduct the "Aadal Paadal (Dance Programme)" on 10.05.2018 at about Night 7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. for one day, to celebrate the festival in "Arulmigu Sri Mandu Karuppana Swamy Thirukovil", which is situated in Kenguvarpatti, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District and consequently, to give adequate police protection to the festival.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Kishore Kumar

For Respondents : Mr.K.Saravanan
Government Advocate

O R D E R

This Writ petition is filed for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the second respondent to grant permission to conduct the "Aadal Paadal (Dance Programme)" on 10.05.2018 at about Night 7... p.m. to 10.00 p.m. for one day, to celebrate the festival in "Arulmigu Sri Mandu Karuppana Swamy Thirukovil", which is situated in Kenguvarpatti, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District and consequently, to give adequate police protection to the festival.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Aadal Paadal" Programme on 10.05.2018 at about Night 7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m., in the eve of festival in "Arulmigu Sri Mandu Karuppana Swamy Thirukovil", at Kenguvarpatti, Periyakulam Taluk, Theni District. He further submitted that in this connection, a representation was given to the first respondent on 24.04.2018, 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.

3. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents submitted that conducting 'Adal Padal' Programme creates disturbance to public peace and also creates law and order problem. He further submitted that so many unwanted and bad activities would take place and hence, he prayed for dismissal of this petition.

4. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents.

5. There is no custom or tradition or ritual to organise 'Adal Padal' Programme in any religious festivals. Religious festivals are meant to upgrade the mankind and to make cordiality and harmony between the villagers. But by conducting this 'Adal Padal' Programme that too at midnight so many unwanted activities are taking place which causes law and order problem in the village. As 'Adal Padal' Programme are not customary in any religion, as this programme are not our traditional programmes and as this programmes causes law and order problem, this Court is not inclined to grant any permission for this programme. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is dismissed. No costs.

Sd/-
Vocation Officer

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Theni District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Thevathanapatti Police Station,
Theni District.

+1cc to Special Government Pleader, SR.No.65116.

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