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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.10532 of 2018

C.Kumar ... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The Superintendent of Police,
   Pudukkottai District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
   Karambakudi Police Station,
   Karambakudi,
   Pudukkottai District. ... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to grant permission and give police protection to conduct the "Adalum Padalum" dance program at about 07.00 p.m on 08.05.2018 in pursuance to the festival of "Arulmigu Sri Muthu Karuppaiahswamy Thirukovil" situated in Karambakudi, Pudukkottai District on considering the petitioner's representation dated 23.04.2018 and 02.05.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Karthick Subramanian

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 respondents herein to grant permission and give police protection to conduct the "Adalum Padalum" dance program at about 07.00 p.m on 08.05.2018 in pursuance to the festival of "Arulmigu Sri Muthu Karuppaiahswamy Thirukovil" situated in Karambakudi, Pudukkottai District on considering the petitioner's representation dated 23.04.2018 and 02.05.2018.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Adal Padal" Programme on 08.05.2018 at 7.00 pm in the eve of Arulmigu Sri Muthu Karuppaiahswamy Thirukovil" situated in Karambakudi, Pudukkottai District. He further submitted that in this connection, representations was given to the respondents on 23.04.20218 and 02.05.2018 with a request to grant permission and protection to

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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 took 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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To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
   Pudukkottai District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
   Karambakudi Police Station,
   Karambakudi,
   Pudukkottai District.

+1cc to Mr.S.Karthick Subramanian, Advocate, SR.No.65101.
+1cc to Special Government Pleader, Advocate, SR.No.65130.

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