



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.10533 of 2018

R.Murugan

... Petitioner

-Vs-

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

2. The Inspector of Police,
Viruveedu Police Station,
Dindigul District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission and necessary police protection to perform the cultural programme (ie.,) Adal Padal Dance Programme on 09.05.2018 at 7.00 pm to 12.00 pm in the festival of Arulmigu Sri Santhana Karuppar Swamy Thirukovil at Natakottai, Natakottai Post, Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul District.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Manikandan
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 to grant permission and necessary police protection to perform the cultural programme (ie.,) Adal Padal Dance Programme on 09.05.2018 at 7.00 pm to 12.00 pm in the festival of Arulmigu Sri Santhana Karuppar Swamy Thirukovil at Natakottai, Natakottai Post, Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul District.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Adal Padal" Programme on 09.05.2018 at 7.00 pm to 12.00 pm in the eve of Arulmigu Sri Santhana Karuppar Swamy Thirukovil at Natakottai, Natakottai Post, Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul District. He further submitted that in this connection, a representation was given to the first respondent on 01.05.2018, 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.

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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 programme 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/

Assistant Registrar /Vacation Officer

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

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