



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.10576 of 2018

R.Sudhakar

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Trichy District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Kattuputhur Police Station,
Thottiyam Circle, Trichy District.

... Respondents

PRAOYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission to conduct the Adal Padal cultural programme and protection to entire temple festival to be held of on 07.05.2018 at night 07.00 pm to 11.00 pm in connection with Chithirai festival of Arulmigu Sri Mallandar, Sri Maha Mariyamman Kovil at Seelaipillaiyarputhur (East), Thottiyam Taluk, Trichy District on the basis of petitioner's representation dated 30.04.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Kandhavadivelan

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 to conduct the Adal Padal cultural programme and protection to entire temple festival to be held of on 07.05.2018 at night 07.00 pm to 11.00 pm in connection with Chithirai festival of Arulmigu Sri Mallandar, Sri Maha Mariyamman Kovil at Seelaipillaiyarputhur (East), Thottiyam Taluk, Trichy District on the basis of petitioner's representation dated 30.04.2018.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the villagers jointly decided to conduct "Adal Padal" Programme on 07.05.2018 at night 07.00 pm to 11.00 pm in the eve of Chithirai festival of Arulmigu Sri Mallandar, Sri Maha Mariyamman Kovil at Seelaipillaiyarputhur (East), Thottiyam Taluk, Trichy District. He further submitted that in this connection, a representation was



given to the second respondent on 30.04.2018, 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.

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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/-
Vocation Officer

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
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2. The Inspector of Police,
Kattuputhur Police Station,
Thottiyam Circle, Trichy District.

+1cc to Special Government Pleader, SR.No.65149.

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