

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT****DATED: 16.05.2018****CORAM****THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH****W.P. (MD) No.11088 of 2018****WEB COPY**

Sathish Kumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2. The Sub Inspector of Police
Aranthanki Police Station
Pudukottai District

... Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the second respondent to give permission with protection to conduct the cultural function Aadal - Paadal at Silattur Public Stage in connection with the third day Thanthani Mandagapdi of Arulmigu Sri Muthu Mariyamman Temple festival at Sillatur, Aranthanki Taluk, Pudukottai District scheduled on 23.05.2018 at about 7.00 p.m to 12.00 a.m based on the petitioner's representation dated 07.05.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr. S.Muthalraj

For Respondents : Mr.M.Murugan

Government Advocate

ORDER

The prayer in this writ petition is to direct the respondents to grant permission and protection to conduct the cultural function Aadal - Paadal at Silattur Public Stage in connection with the third day Thanthani Mandagapdi of Arulmigu Sri Muthu Mariyamman Temple festival at Sillatur, Aranthanki Taluk, Pudukottai District by considering the petitioner's representations dated 07.05.2018 which is to be held on 23.05.2018.

2.Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the respondents.

3.In an identical matter, a Division Bench of this Court in an order passed in **W.P. (MD) No.8975 of 2017 dated 10.05.2017 [M.Sakthi Vs. State rep. by the Inspector of Police, Odapatti Police Station, Odapatti, Theni District]**, had granted permission to the petitioner to conduct cultural programme on certain conditions. The said conditions read as follows:



"a)The event shall be conducted in an organised and peaceful manner without causing law and order problem.

b)There shall not be any obscene or vulgar scenes during the dance performance by any one of the participants or others.

c)The dance performance shall be restricted between 6.00 p.m. and 11.00 p.m.

d)If there is any violation of the above said conditions, the respondent or the duly authorised officer is entitled to take necessary action as per law and stop such performance.

e)In case if there is any discrepancy with regard to the date on which the program is to be conducted, it would be open to the respondent police to extend protection on some other day after giving due notice to the petitioner"

4.I am of the view that similar conditions may also be imposed in the present writ petition. Consequently, the Writ Petition Stands allowed. The second respondent is directed to grant permission to the writ petitioner to conduct the cultural function Aadal - Paadal at Silattur Public Stage in connection with the third day Thanthani Mandagapdi of Arulmigu Sri Muthu Mariyamman Temple festival at Sillatur, Aranthanki Taluk, Pudukottai District on 23.05.2018 subject to the aforesaid conditions. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Vacation Officer

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Pudukottai District,
Pudukottai.
2. The Sub Inspector of Police
Aranthanki Police Station
Pudukottai District.

+1cc to Mr.Na.Palaniyandi, Advocate Sr.65365

+1cc to The Spl. Government Pleader Sr.No.65882

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