



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 30.05.2018

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THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE **T.KRISHNAVALLI**

W.P. (MD) No.11545 of 2018

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thanjavur District, Thanjavur.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Sethubavachathiram Police Station,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus, to direct the respondent to grant permission and protection for cultural event namely, Adalpadal scheduled to be held on 08.06.2018 at night 08.00 to 01.00 hours in connection with "Vaikasi Festival" in Arulmigu Sri Agni Veerananar Temple at Poonkudikadu Village, Pattukottai Taluk, Thanjavur District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.05.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Anandan

For Respondents : Mr.P.Karuppasamy
Government Advocate

ORDER

The prayer in this writ petition is to direct the respondents to grant permission and protection for cultural event namely, "Adalpadal" scheduled to be held on 08.06.2018 at night 08.00 to 01.00 hours in connection with "Vaikasi Festival" in Arulmigu Sri Agni Veerananar Temple at Poonkudikadu Village, Pattukottai Taluk, Thanjavur District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.05.2018.

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

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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 and police protection for cultural event namely, Adalpadal scheduled to be held on 08.06.2018 in connection with "Vaikasi Festival" in Agni Veeranar Temple at Poonkudikadu Village, Pattukottai Taluk, Thanjavur District. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(AD-I)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thanjavur District, Thanjavur.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Sethubavachathiram Police Station,
Thanjavur District.

+ 1 cc TO Mr.B.Anandan , Advocate in SR No. 66335

+ 1 cc TO The Special Government Pleader in SR No. 66359

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