

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 22.08.2019

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

CrI.O.P.No.22660 of 2019

C.Suresh

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Inspector of Police,  
Vazhapadi Police Station,  
Salem District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code, directing the respondent to give police protection and permission to the petitioner to conduct a cultural program scheduled to be held on 02.09.2019 at 5.00 p.m., in Vinayagar Chathurthi festival, Vazhapadi Circle, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 17.08.2019.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Premakumari  
For Respondents : Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz,  
Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This petition has been filed to direct the Respondent to grant permission and protection to conduct Vinayagar Chathurthi festival, in Vazhapadi Circle, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 17.08.2019.

2.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent.

3.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, would submit that there is likelihood of arising law and order problem.

4.A mere apprehension cannot be a ground to reject the representation. There is absolutely no material before this Court to hold that there will be a law and order problem in the event of permission being granted. In such view of the matter, the petitioner is permitted to conduct Vinayagar Chathurthi festival, in Vazhapadi Circle, Salem District, however with the following conditions:-

(a) The Vinayagar Chathurthi function, in Vazhapadi Circle, Salem District shall be conducted on 02.09.2019 between 06.00 PM to 11.00 PM.

(b) The petitioner shall pay a cost of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the respondent police towards police protection.

(c) There should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogues during the performance, by anyone of the participants.

(d) Double meaning songs should not be played so as to spoil the minds of students and youths.

(e) No dance or songs, touching upon any political party or religion or community or caste shall be played.

(f) No flex boards in support of any political party or communal leader, shall be erected at the premises of the programme.

(g) The function shall not affect either religious or communal harmony and shall be conducted without any discrimination based on caste.

(h) If there is violation of any one of the conditions imposed, the concerned police officer is at liberty to take necessary action, as per law and stop such performance forthwith; and

(i) Similarly, the police is directed to stop the dance programme, if it is played beyond the permitted time limit.

(j) The respondent is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions.

5. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS VIII)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,  
Vazhapadi Police Station,  
Salem District.

2.The Public Prosecutor,  
High Court, Madras.

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