

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 04.02.2020

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE P.RAJAMANICKAM
CRL.O.P.No.2180 of 2020

C.Bharathi Mano

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Commissioner of Police,
Salem City, Salem.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Fairlands Police Station,
Salem City, Salem District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to direct the second respondent police to grant permission and police protection to conduct the cultural dance programme to be held on 06.02.2020 at Sri Kombaipatti Mariamman and Kaliyamman Temple situated at Kannankurichi, Salem-8, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.01.2020.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Manikandan

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

O R D E R

This petition has been filed to issue direction to the second respondent police to grant permission and police protection to conduct the cultural dance programme to be held on 06.02.2020 at Sri Kombaipatti Mariamman and Kaliyamman Temple situated at Kannankurichi, Salem-8, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.01.2020.

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

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 cultural programme in the event of " Sri Kombaipatti Mariamman and Kaliyamman Temple Festival", situated at Kannankurichi, Salem-8, Salem District on 06.02.2020, however with the following conditions:-

(a) The aforesaid cultural programme shall be conducted on 06.02.2020 from 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m only.

(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 second 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)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1. The Commissioner of Police,
Salem City, Salem.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Fairlands Police Station,
Salem City, Salem District.
3. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court,
Chennai.

+lcc to Mr.S.Manikandan , Advocate SR.No. 8273
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