

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
DATED: 04.03.2020
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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

Crl.O.P.No.4934 of 2020

P.Selvam

.. Petitioner

Vs.

The Sub Inspector of Police,
Mecheri Police Station,
Salem District

.. Respondent

Prayer : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to direct the respondent to grant permission and police protection to conduct the cultural event viz., Adal Padal (Song and Dance) program to be held on 24.03.2020 at 07.00 pm to 10.00 p.m. onwards in connection with the temple car festival of Sri Mariyamman Thirukovil, Thethikipatti Village, Mettur Taluk, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 25.02.2020.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sathish

For Respondent : Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz

Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme i.e, Adal Padal on the eve of temple car festival of Sri Mariyamman Thirukovil, Thethikipatti Village, Mettur Taluk, Salem District, the petitioner made a representation dated 25.02.2020 to the respondent. As the same has not been considered, the present Criminal Original petition has been filed.

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,

this petition is allowed and the petitioner is permitted to conduct cultural programme in the event of temple car festival of Sri Mariyamam Thirukovil, Thethikipatti Village, Mettur Taluk, Salem District however with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with the event of temple car festival of Sri Mariyamam Thirukovil, Thethikipatti Village, Mettur Taluk, Salem District shall be conducted on 24.03.2020 between 06.00 p.m. and 11.00 p.m.

(b) The petitioner shall pay a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) as charges, to the respondent and on receipt of the same, the respondent is directed to issue receipt and proceed further.

(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-III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1.The Sub Inspector of Police,
Mecheri Police Station,
Salem District.

2.The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras,
Chennai.

+1cc to Mr.S.Sathish, Advocate, SR.No.18903.

CSR: 20.03.2020

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