

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 05.03.2020

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

Crl.O.P.No.5230 of 2020

C.Sivashanmugam

.. Petitioner

Vs

State Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
Mecheri Police Station,
Mecheri, Salem District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code, to direct the respondent authority to give police protection and permission to conduct Cultural Programme (Adal Padal Nigalchi) in the event of Vellar Arulmigu Sree Chinna Mariamman Temple Festival at Mettur Taluk, Salem District on 12.03.2020 between 06.00 PM to 11 PM by considering the petitioner's representation dated 02.03.2020.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Sathishkumar

For Respondent : Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz
Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme in the event of festival of Vellar Arulmigu Sree Chinna Mariamman Temple Festival at Mettur Taluk, Salem District, the petitioner made a representation dated 02.03.2020 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 festival of Vellar Arulmigu Sree Chinna Mariamman Temple Festival at Mettur Taluk, Salem District, however with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with the event of festival of Vellar Arulmigu Sree Chinna Mariamman Temple Festival at Mettur Taluk, Salem District shall be conducted on 12.03.2020 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 Police and on receipt of the same, the respondents Police 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(J)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

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

2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

+lcc to Mr.A.Sathishkumar, Advocate Sr.19463

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