



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 24.02.2021

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THE HON'BLE MR.SANJIB BANERJEE, THE CHIEF JUSTICE
and
THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE R.HEMALATHA

W.P.(MD) No.3575 of 2021
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.2900 of 2021

Sree Periya Akkandi Amman Temple Festival Committee,
represented by
its Secretary,
M.Kalaiselvan

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector,
Trichy District.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Superintendent of Police,
Trichy District.
- 3.The Tahsildar,
Office of the Tahsildar,
Thiruverumbur Taluk,
Trichy District.
- 4.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thiruverumbur Sub-Division,
Trichy District.
- 5.The Inspector of Police,
Thiruverumbur Police Station,
Trichy District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to give permission and police protection to conduct the Jallikattu on 12.03.2021 as per the decision taken in the Peace Committee Meeting held on 20.02.2020 in the traditional place of Jallikattu.



For Petitioner : Mr.S.Malaikani

For Respondents : Mr.K.P.Krishnadoss
Special Government Pleader

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O R D E R

[Order of the Court was made by The Hon'ble CHIEF JUSTICE]

It is submitted by Mr.K.P.Krishnadoss, Special Government Pleader, appearing for the respondents that no permission for conducting jallikattu has been granted.

2. In such circumstances, when an informed decision has been taken and there is a presumption that the concerned officials would have taken such decision keeping the larger public interest in mind, there is no good ground to interfere therewith.

3. W.P.(MD) No.3575 of 2021 is disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to make a representation in future for due consideration thereof by the official respondents. However, when the respondents perceive that the situation is not appropriate for the conduct of such activities as sought by the petitioner, the Court should yield to the better wisdom of the local administration unless *mala fides* can be established. There will be no order as to costs. W.M.P.(MD) No.2900 of 2021 is closed.

Sd/-

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+1 CC to THE SPECIAL GOVERNMENT PLEADER(SR-7252[F] dated 25/02/2021)

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