



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 09.03.2022

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.SUBRAMANIAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR**

W.P (MD)No.4238 of 2022

Deivendran (Ambalakarar) ... Petitioner
vs.

1.The District Collector,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

3.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

4.The Inspector of Police,
Kottampatti Police Station,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records pertaining to the impugned order passed by the 3rd respondent in Na.Ka.No.10/Ka.Thu.ka-Melur/2022 dated 28.02.2022 and quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to grant permission to the petitioner to conduct 'Manjuvirattu and 'Sri Valli Marriage Drama' on 18.03.2022 in the occasion of 'Panguni Pongal festival of ''Arulmigu Muthu Pidari Amman, Sri Mudimalai Muniyandi and Sri Veppillai Karuppu Swamikal'' temple.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sankar

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani
Special Government Pleader



ORDER

**R.SUBRAMANIAN, J.
AND
N.SATHISH KUMAR, J.**

The request of the petitioner to conduct Manjuvirattu and Sri Valli Marriage Drama on 18.03.2022, has been rejected by the 3rd respondent solely on the ground of the pandemic situation. Now that the pandemic situation has eased. Almost all the restrictions have been removed. The only justification in the order for rejecting permission fades into insignificance.

2. Hence, the order impugned is quashed. The authority namely, the 1st respondent is directed to consider the request of the petitioner in the light of the guidelines issued in G.O.Ms.No.7, Animal Husbandry Dairying and Fisheries (AH3) Department, dated 21.01.2017 and grant permission subject to sufficient protection both for the animals as well as the participants. As regards the performance of Sri Valli Marriage Drama, the 1st respondent is directed to consider the same in the light of the general guidelines issued with reference to conduct of such programme in public. The 1st respondent shall convey his decision by 14.03.2022.

3. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (AD-I)

// True Copy //

/ /2022

Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

To

- 1.The District Collector,
Madurai District, Madurai.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District, Madurai.
- 3.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Melur Taluk, Madurai District, Madurai.
- 4.The Inspector of Police,
Kottampatti Police Station,
Melur Taluk, Madurai District, Madurai.

+1 CC to M/s.S.SANKAR, Advocate (SR-10868[F] dated 09/03/2022)

ORDER MADE IN

W.P(MD).No.4238 of 2022

DATED : 09.03.2022

bala

MS/09.03.2022/2P.6C

<https://hcservices.ecourts.gov.in/hcservices/>