



**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
DATED:16.03.2022**

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

WP(MD) . No.4652 of 2022

P.Sakthi Kumar

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Dindigul District,
Dindigul.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Natham Police Station,
Natham,
Dindigul District.

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to grant Police Protection and permission to conduct the Aadal Padal cultural Programme in the Kuttupatti Village, ArulmiguKarantha Malayan Samy Festival at Natham Taluk, Dindigul District on 04.04.2022 between 6.00 p.m to 10.00 p.m by considering the petitioner representation dated 09.03.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Mohan Raj

For Respondents : Mr.R.M.Anbunithi
Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This Writ Petition is filed to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to grant police protection and permission to conduct the Aadal Padal cultural Programme in the Kuttupatti Village, Arulmigu Karantha Malayan Samy Festival at Natham Taluk, Dindigul District on 04.04.2022 between 6.00 p.m to 10.00 p.m by considering the petitioner's representation dated 09.03.2022.

2.Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondents.



3. In an identical matter, a Division Bench of this Court in an order passed in ***W.P.(MD) No.8975 of 2017 dated 10.05.2017 [M.Sakthi Vs. State rep. by the Inspector of Police, Odapatti Police Station, Odapatti, Theni District]***, had granted permission to the petitioner to conduct cultural programme on certain conditions. The said conditions read as follows:

'a) The event shall be conducted in an organised and peaceful manner without causing law and order problem.

b) There shall not be any obscene or vulgar scenes during the dance performance by any one of the participants or others.

c) The cultural Program shall be restricted between 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

d) If there is any violation of the above said conditions, the respondent or the duly authorised officer is entitled to take necessary action as per law and stop such performance.

e) In case if there is any discrepancy with regard to the date on which the program is to be conducted, it would be open to the respondent police to extend protection on some other day after giving due notice to the petitioner

f) The restrictions have now been lifted and permitted to gather not more than 50 persons for the festival function.'

4. This Court is of the view that similar conditions may also be imposed in the present writ petition. Consequently, the Writ Petition Stands allowed with cost. The second respondent is directed to strictly adhere to the Standard Operating Procedure adopted by the Government of Tamil Nadu and grant permission to the writ petitioner to conduct "Aadal Padal" on 04.04.2022 from 06.00 pm to 11.00 pm in Arulmigu Karantha Malayan Samy Temple, Kuttupatti Village, Natham Taluk, Dindigul District, subject to the aforesaid conditions.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS-III)

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To:

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Dindigul District,
Dindigul.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Natham Police Station,
Natham,
Dindigul District.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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