



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT  
DATED:17.03.2022  
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**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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**WP(MD) . No.4760 of 2022**

T.Seenivasan

... Petitioner

**Vs**

1. The Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukkottai and District.

2. The Inspector of Police,  
Vadakadu Police Station,  
Alangudi Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.

... Respondents

**PRAYER :-** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission to conduct Dance and Song Programme on 21.03.2022 from 7.00 p.m to 12.00 a.m in front of the temple namely Sri Balasubramaniya Swami Kovil, situate at Vadakadu Village, Alngudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District on the occasion of Panguni Uthiram Festival by considering the petitioners representation dated 15.03.2022.

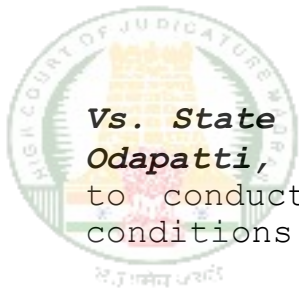
For Petitioner : M/s.M.Anbarasan  
For Respondents : Mr.R.M.Anbunithi  
Additional Public Prosecutor  
for R1 & R2

**O R D E R**

This Writ Petition is filed to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission to conduct Dance and Song Programme on 21.03.2022 from 7.00 p.m to 12.00 a.m in front of the temple namely Sri Balasubramaniya Swami Kovil, situate at Vadakadu Village, Alngudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District on the occasion of Panguni Uthiram Festival by considering the petitioners representation dated 15.03.2022.

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



**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 8.00 a.m. and 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. The second/Inspector 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 the cultural program on 21.03.2022 between 7.00 pm., to 11.00 p.m., at Sri Balasubramaniya Swami Kovil, situate at Vadakadu Village, Alngudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District on the occasion of Panguni Uthiram Festival subject to the aforesaid conditions. There shall be no order as to costs.

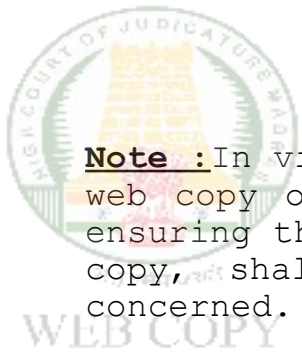
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**TO**

1. The Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukkottai and District.
  2. The Inspector of Police,  
Vadakadu Police Station,  
Alangudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District.
  3. The Additional Public Prosecutor  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai.
- +1 cc to Mr.M.ANBARASAN, Advocate, SR.No.12797

**ORDER IN**  
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