



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 25.03.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

W.P(MD)No.5298 of 2022

G.Mathivanan

... Petitioner

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Thiruchitrambalam Police Station,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to accord permission to the Adal Padal Program to be held on 19.04.2022 and 20.04.2022 at about 07.00 P.M to be conducted at the Arulmighu Muthumariamman Temple at Avanam - Periyannayagipuram, Peravoorani Taluk, Thanjavur District, based on the petitioner's representation, dated 16.03.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Anandan

For Respondent : Mr.R.M.Anbunithi
Additional Public Prosecutor (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The prayer in this writ petition is to direct the respondent to accord permission to the Adal Padal Program to be held on 19.04.2022 and 20.04.2022 at about 07.00 P.M to be conducted at the Arulmighu Muthumariamman Temple at Avanam - Periyannayagipuram, Peravoorani Taluk, Thanjavur District, based on the petitioner's representation, dated 16.03.2022.

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

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 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.

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 respondent police 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 19.04.2022 and 20.04.2022 between 8.00 am., to 11.00 p.m., in Arulmighu Muthumariamman Temple at Avanam - Periyannayagipuram, Peravoorani Taluk, Thanjavur District, subject to the aforesaid conditions. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS-III)

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Thiruchitrambalam Police Station,
Thanjavur District.

2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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