



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 08.04.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

W.P(MD).No.6535 of 2022

R.Pandi @ Malaysia Pandi ...Petitioner
Vs.

1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Madurai District.

2.The Sub- Inspector of Police,
Sedapatti Police Station,
Sedapatti,
Madurai District.

...Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to grant permission and give police protection to conduct the Aadal Padal Programme and Karagattam dance program at about 7.00pm on 15.04.2022 and 16.04.2022 in pursuance to the festival of Arulmighu Sri Manthaiamman Thirukovil situated in Ayothipatti Village (North Street), Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District on considering the Petitioner's representation dated 04.04.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Maheswaran
For R1 & R2 : Mr.R.M.Anbunithi
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

The prayer in this writ petition is to direct the respondents herein to grant permission and give police protection to conduct the Aadal Padal Programme and Karagattam dance program at about 7.00pm on 15.04.2022 and 16.04.2022 in pursuance to the festival of Arulmighu Sri Manthaiamman Thirukovil situated in Ayothipatti Village (North Street), Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District, based on the petitioner's representation, dated 04.04.2022.

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**
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Vs. State rep. by the Inspector of Police, Odapatti Police Station, Odapatti, Theni District], had granted permission to the petitioner therein 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 aadal padal Program shall be restricted between 6.00 pm., and 11.00 p.m.

d)If there is any violation of the above said conditions, the respondents 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 disposed of. The petitioner is directed to pay a sum of Rs.**10,000/-** (Rupees Ten thousand only) as costs to the credit of Government of Tamil Nadu, CMPRF in IOB, Secretariat Branch, Chennai-9 (Account No.11720 10000 00070, IFSC Code: IOBA0001172) on or before **13.04.2022** and on receipt of the same, 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 the cultural program from 15.04.2022 to 16.04.2022 between 6.00 p.m., and 11.00 p.m., at Arulmighu Sri Manthaiamman Thirukovil situated in Ayothipatti Village (North Street), Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District subject to the aforesaid conditions.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (W)

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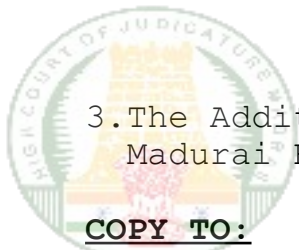
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To

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Madurai District.

2.The Sub- Inspector of Police,
Sedapatti Police Station,
Sedapatti,
Madurai District.



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

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THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
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