



W.P(MD)No.17576 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 05.08.2022

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V.SIVAGNANAM

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M.Asaithambi

...Petitioner

Vs.

**1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vilathikulam Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thoothukudi District.**

**2.The Inspector of Police,
Ettayapuram Police Station,
Ettayapuram,
Thoothukudi District.**

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to grant permission to perform the 'Adal Padal' cultural program on 11.08.2022 night at about 6.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. at Meenatchipuram Village, Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliamman Temple, Kovilpatti Taluk, Thoothukudi District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation, dated 02.08.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Baskaran

**For Respondents : Mr.M.Sakthikumar
Government Advocate (crl.side)**



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ORDER

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This writ petitioner filed this Writ Petition seeking for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to grant permission and to provide adequate police protection to conduct the 'Adal Padal' cultural program on 11.08.2022 at about 6.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. in Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliamman Temple situated at Meenatchipuram Village, Kovilpatti Taluk, Thoothukudi District, based on the petitioner's representation, dated 02.08.2022.

2.Mr.M.Sakthikumar, learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) takes notice for the respondents. By consent, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that temple festival, by name, Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliamman Temple situated at Meenatchipuram Village, Kovilpatti Taluk, Thoothukudi District is going to be held on 11.08.2022. Subsequent to the same, in order to conduct a cultural programme, they sought permission of the police by giving a representation dated 02.08.2022. But the respondent police has not considered the said representation. Since no order was



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passed, the petitioner has come before this Court for the above said relief.

4.The learned Government Advocate (criminal side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the respondent police has received the representation of the petitioner and the same is pending for consideration.

5.I have considered the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (criminal side) appearing for the respondent police.

6. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu, Chennai had issued a circular memorandum in Rc.007301/Genl.I (1)/2019 dated 09.04.2019 along with instructions to the Inspectors of Police throughout Tamil Nadu for consideration of applications seeking permission for conducting cultural programme. Therefore, in view of the detailed circular and guidelines issued by the Director General of Police, the second respondent is hereby directed to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 02.08.2022 and pass



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suitable orders based on the above said circular.

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7. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of.

No costs.

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Note: Issue Order Copy on 10.08.2022

To

- 1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vilathikulam Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Thoothukudi District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Ettayapuram Police Station,
Ettayapuram,
Thoothukudi District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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