



W.P(MD)No.18754 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 17.08.2022

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V.SIVAGNANAM

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K.Balaiah

...Petitioner

vs

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

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Srivaikundam Sub-Division,
Srivaikundam,
Thoothukudi District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Sawyerpuram Police Station,
Sawyerpuram,
Thoothukudi 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 to grant permission and necessary protection to perform the cultural programme i.e., Adal Padal on 24.08.2022 between 8.00 pm to 11.00 pm during the festival of Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliyamman Temple at Sivagnanapuram, Thoothukudi District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 03.08.2022.



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For Petitioner : Mr.N.Pragalathan

For Respondents : Mr.M.Sakthi Kumar
Government Advocate(Crl.Side)

ORDER

This writ petitioner filed this Writ Petition seeking for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to grant permission and necessary protection to perform the cultural programme i.e., Adal Padal on 24.08.2022 between 8.00 pm to 11.00 pm during the festival of Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliyamman Temple at Sivagnanapuram, Thoothukudi District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 03.08.2022.

2.The 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 there is a festival in the temple, by name, Arulmigu Sri Pathirakaliyamman Temple at Sivagnanapuram, Thoothukudi District, on 24.08.2022. Subsequent to the same, in order to conduct a cultural



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programme on 24.08.2022, they sought permission of the police by giving a representation dated 03.08.2022. But, the respondents have not considered the said representation. Since no order was 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 respondents have 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 third respondent is hereby directed to



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consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 03.08.2022 and pass suitable orders based on the above said circular.

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

No cost.

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Note: Issue Order copy on 22.08.2022

To

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Thoothukudi.
- 2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
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Srivaikundam,
Thoothukudi District.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
Sawyerpuram Police Station,
Sawyerpuram,
Thoothukudi District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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V.SIVAGNANAM, J

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