



W.P(MD)No.1550 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.01.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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L.Ashok Arunakiri

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Office of Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vallam,
Thanjavur District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Thanjavur Taluk Police Station,
Thanjavur,
Thanjavur 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 to perform the program of Adal Padal on 29.01.2023 night at about 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. at Vilar Road, Anna Nagar, Puthupattinam, opening ceremony of the surrounding wall of Arulmigu Angala Eswari Muneeshwarar Temple festival, Thanjavur District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation dated 24.01.2023.



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For Petitioner : Mr.K.Sridhar
For Respondents : Mr.M.Muthumanikkam
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The writ petitioner filed this Writ Petition seeking for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to grant permission to perform the program of Adal Padal on 29.01.2023 at about 06.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. at Vilar Road, Anna Nagar, Puthupattinam, opening ceremony of the surrounding wall of Arulmigu Angala Eswari Muneeshwarar Temple festival, Thanjavur District and to provide adequate police protection based on the petitioner's representation dated 24.01.2023.

2. Mr.M.Muthumanikkam, 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 writ petitioner submitted that festival for the temple, by name, “Arulmigu Angala Eswari Muneeshwarar Temple” situated at Vilar Road, Anna Nagar,



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Puthupattinam, Thanjavur District, is going to be held on 29.01.2023.

Subsequent to the same, in order to conduct the cultural programme on 29.01.2023, they sought permission of the police by giving a representation dated 24.01.2023. But, the respondents have not considered the said representation. Since no order was passed, the writ petitioner has come before this Court for the above said relief.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondents would submit that the respondents have received the representation of the writ petitioner and the same is pending for consideration. He would further submit that the respondent police is ready to grant permission to conduct the cultural programme on 29.01.2023 from 07.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m., if the writ petitioner agree to conduct the programme as per the circular and guidelines issued by the Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu, Chennai dated 09.04.2019.

5. At this juncture, the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner would submit that they are ready to conduct the programme as stated by the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side).



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6. I have considered the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondents.

7. 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 writ petitioner is directed to file an undertaking affidavit incorporating the date and time of the cultural programme before the second respondent and on such filing, the second respondent is hereby directed to consider the representation of the writ petitioner, dated 24.01.2023 and pass suitable orders based on the above said circular. Further, the writ petitioner is also directed to pay a sum of **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only)** to the Station House Officer concerned towards bandobust charges.



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8. With the above directions, this writ petition stands disposed of.

No costs.

27.01.2023

NCC : Yes/No
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Note : Issue order copy today (27.01.2023)

To

- 1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Office of Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vallam,
Thanjavur District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Thanjavur Taluk Police Station,
Thanjavur,
Thanjavur District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA, J

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