



W.P(MD)No.5762 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 17.03.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ILANGO VAN

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K.Manimoliyan

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Kottai pattinam,
Pudukkottai District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Kottai pattinam Police Station,
Pudukkottai 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 consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.03.2023 to grant permission and police protection to conduct the Abishega Arathanai and Annathanam (i.e) “Matha Sivarathiri” festival scheduled to be held on 20.03.2023 at 10.00 a.m to 1.00 p.m in Arulmigu Sri Meenakshi Sundreshwarar Thirukovil at Kodikulam Village, Manamelkudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District.



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For Petitioner : Mr.B.Santhanam Rajesh Kumar
For Respondents : Mr.B.Nambiselvan
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

This writ petitioner filed this Writ Petition seeking for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents, directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.03.2023 to grant permission and police protection to conduct the Abishega Arathanai and Annathanam (i.e) “Matha Sivarathiri” festival scheduled to be held on 20.03.2023 at 10.00 a.m to 1.00 p.m in Arulmigu Sri Meenakshi Sundreshwarar Thirukovil at Kodikulam Village, Manamelkudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District.

2. Mr.B.Nambiselvan, learned Additional Public Prosecutor 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 Sri Meenakshi Sundreshwarar Thirukovil” at Kodikulam Village, Manamelkudi Taluk, Pudukkottai District, is going to be held on 20.03.2023. Subsequent to



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the same, in order to conduct a cultural programme on 14.03.2023 at 10.00 a.m., to 01.00 p.m., they sought permission of the police by giving a representation dated 14.03.2023. But, the second respondent has 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 Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents would submit that the second respondent has received the representation of the writ petitioner and the same is pending for consideration.

5. I have considered the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents.

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



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Director General of Police, the second respondent is hereby directed to consider the representation of the writ petitioner, dated 14.03.2023 and pass suitable orders based on the above said circular.

7. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of.

No costs.

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NCC :Yes/No
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Internet : Yes/ No
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To

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Pudukkottai District.
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Pudukkottai District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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