

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED:29.03.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ILANGO VAN

W.P(MD)No.6800 of 2023

Sivakumar G

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2. The Inspector of Police,
Thiruvonam Police Station,
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 and necessary protection to conduct the Adal Padal Programme on 01.04.2023 at 07.00 pm to 10.00 pm in connection with Thiru Vizha of Arulmigu Sri Selliamman, Sri Muthumariamman Thirukovil at Vettuvakottai Pudhu Viduthi, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District.

For Petitioner : Mr. Sundarapandian S

For Respondents : Mr.P.Kottaichamy
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 and necessary protection to conduct the Adal Padal Programme on 01.04.2023 at 07.00 pm to 10.00 pm in connection with Thiru Vizha of Arulmigu Sri Selliamman, Sri Muthumariamman Thirukovil at Vettuvakottai Pudhu Viduthi, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District.

2. Mr.P.Kottaichamy, learned Government Advocate (Crl. 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 Sri Selliamman, Sri Muthumariamman Thirukovil at Vettuvakottai Pudhu Viduthi, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District”, is going to be held on 01.04.2023. Subsequent to the same, in order to conduct a cultural programme on 01.04.2023, they sought permission of the Police by giving a representation dated 14.03.2023. But, the 2nd 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 he has no objection for granting permission to conduct a cultural programme subject to time restriction in between 07.00 p.m to 10.00 p.m. on 01.04.2023, and also submitted that the 2nd 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 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, in the light of the above submission made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor.

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

No costs.

29.03.2023

NCC :Yes/No

Index :Yes/No

Internet : Yes/ No

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

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