



W.P(MD)No.9172 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 20.04.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ILANGO VAN

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K.Gopinathan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Superintendent of Police,
Thanjavur.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Kabbistharam Police Station,
Papanasam Taluk,
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 herein to grant permission and provide adequate police protection during the conduct of the Thirukalyanam, Palkudam procession and also Veedhi Ula in connection with the festival of Arulmighu Chelliamman Temple, situated at Karuppur Village, Papanasam Taluk, Thanjavur District on 23.04.2023 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 12.04.2023 within the time stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.J.Jameel Arasu
For Respondents : Mr.B.Nambiselvan
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

This writ petitioner filed this Writ Petition seeking for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to grant permission and provide adequate police protection during the conduct of the Thirukalyanam, Palkudam procession and also Veedhi Ula in connection with the festival of Arulmighu Chelliamman Temple, situated at Karuppur Village, Papanasam Taluk, Thanjavur District on 23.04.2023 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 12.04.2023 within the time stipulated by this Court.

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, “Arulmighu Chelliamman Temple”, situated at Karuppur Village, Papanasam Taluk, Thanjavur District is going to be held on 23.04.2023. Subsequent to the same, in order to



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conduct a cultural programme on 23.04.2023, they sought permission of the police by giving a representation dated 12.04.2023. 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 12.04.2023 and pass suitable orders based on the above said circular.

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

No costs.

17.04.2023

NCC :Yes/No
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To

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- 2.The Inspector of Police,
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Papanasam Taluk,
Thanjavur District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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