



Writ Petition No.199 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.01.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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S.Anbalagan
S/o.Shanmugam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Namakkal District.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Namakkal District.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Erumapatti Police Station,
Namakkal District.

...Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ of mandamus directing the third respondent to grant permission and police protection to conduct Kabadi Tournament, other games and competition for children on 14.01.2024, 15.01.2024 and 16.01.2024 in the event of Pongal Festival at Sivan Thidal, A.Palapatti



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Village, Alanganatham Post, Senthamangalam Taluk, Namakal District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 31.12.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Sathishkumar

For Respondents : Mr.A.Damodaran
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking a direction to third respondent to grant permission and police protection to conduct Kabadi Tournament, other games and competition for children on 14.01.2024, 15.01.2024 and 16.01.2024 in the event of Pongal Festival at Sivan Thidal, A.Palapatti Village, Alanganatham Post, Senthamangalam Taluk, Namakal District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 31.12.2023.

2. Heard Mr.A.Sathishkumar, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.A.Damodaran, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondents.



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3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondents submits that the police do not have any reservations on the place, where the tournament is to be conducted. However, there is an apprehension that some law and order problem may arise during the tournament.

4. The respondent police are directed to grant permission for conducting the Kabadi tournament, by enclosing the following conditions:

i) The petitioner and other participants shall not shout, raise any slogan for or against any party or party leader, any caste, community or creed;

ii) The petitioner shall ensure that no untoward incident is caused disturbing the public peace and tranquillity;

iii) The petitioner shall ensure proper first aid arrangements by keeping one or two doctors in the venue;

iv) The participants of “Kabadi” tournament shall not wear any form of dress showing offending slogans or picture of any communal/political leader which may cause disturbance;

v) Songs praising communal leader or having communal overtones should not be played;

vi) The petitioner will ensure that no flex board or



hoardings depicting particular community or leader will be displayed;

vii) There should not be any Flex Boards representing any community or political leaders;

viii) If there is any violation of any one of the conditions imposed, the concerned Police Officer is at liberty to take necessary action, as per law and stop such performance;

ix) Similarly, the Police is empowered to stop the Kabadi tournament, if it exceeds beyond the permitted time;

x) the participants of the tournament shall not intake any kind of toxic substance or liquor during the tournament;

xi) If there is any untoward incident, the village people and the organizers of the tournament be made responsible for the same;

xii) The Refree must be authorized person from the District Association; and

xiii) The respondent Police is at liberty to put any further restrictions or to impose any conditions purely in the interest of preserving public order and tranquillity, so as to maintain law and order and communal harmony.



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5. The petitioner is also directed to ensure that the conditions are strictly complied with and also to ensure that no law and order problem is created in the course of conducting the tournament.

The Writ Petition is disposed of with the above directions. No costs.

04.01.2024

Note: Issue order copy by 08.01.2024

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