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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 08.1.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Prabhakaran

...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

Petition under Article 226 of The Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the third respondent to give permission and police protection to conduct Kabaddi Tournament on 15.1.2024, 16.1.2024 and 17.1.2024 in the event of pongal festival at A.Palappatti, Namakkal District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.12.2023.



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For Petitioner : Ms.Mounika Manikandan
For Respondents : Mr.A.Damodaran, APP

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking to direct the third respondent to give permission and police protection to conduct Kabaddi Tournament on 15.1.2024, 16.1.2024 and 17.1.2024 in the event of pongal festival at A.Palappatti, Namakkal District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 21.12.2023.

2. Heard the learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents.

3. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents submits that the Police does not have any reservations in 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 is directed to grant permission for



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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 tranquility;

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



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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 referee 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.

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.

6. The Writ Petition is disposed of with the above directions.

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