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W.P.(MD)NO.8609 OF 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.04.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.8609 of 2024 AND

W.M.P.(MD)No.7888 of 2024

C.Agilan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Bodinayakanur, Theni District.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Chinnamanur police station,
Theni District.

3. The Assistant Election Officer,
Bodinayakanur, Theni District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for records pertaining to the impugned order passed by the 3rd Respondent in Na.Ka.No. 3949/2024/E1-61 dated 28.03.2024 and quash the same and direct the 2nd Respondent to grant permission and necessary protection to perform the cultural program (ie) Adal Padal on 10.04.2024 at 07.00 pm to 11.00 pm in the event of Arulmigu Petchiamman Thirukovil Thiruvizha at Markkaiyankottai, Uthamapalayam, Theni District.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Krishna Kumar

For R-1 & R-2 : Mr.A. Albert James,
Government Advocate.

For R-3 : Mr.D.Sasikumar,
Additional Government Pleader.

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**ORDER**

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Heard both sides.

2. The petitioner wants to conduct the cultural programme on 10.04.2024 from 7.00 pm to 10.00 pm in connection with the petition mentioned temple festival. The third respondent has rejected the said request. Challenging the same, this writ petition has been filed.

3. My attention has been drawn to the circular memorandum dated 01.06.2023 issued by the Director General of Police. There is no prohibition for conducting such cultural programmes. The only restriction is that there should not be any obscene display or dance and that programmes should not extend beyond 10.00 pm. Few other conditions have been stipulated in the said circular.

4. In this view of the matter, the impugned proceedings are set aside insofar as clause 2 is concerned. The petitioner is permitted to have adal padal event on 10.04.2024 from 07.00 pm to 10.00 pm. The petitioner has to adhere to the conditions stipulated in the circular on



01.06.2023. The circular shall form part of the order. The Writ Petition is allowed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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