



W.P(MD)No.9059 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 12.04.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.9059 of 2024

and

W.M.P(MD)No.8261 of 2024

M.Duraipandi

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Assistant Election Officer/
Revenue Divisional Officer,
Kovilpatti,
Tuticorin District.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Kovilpatti,
Tuticorin District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
East Police Station,
Kovilpatti,
Tuticorin District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records pertaining to the rejection order in Na.Ka.No.E/2733(Ko-47)/2024 dated 12.04.2024 passed by the first respondent and quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to grant permission and protection



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for conducting Adal Padal program scheduled to be held on 14.04.2024 at 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm in connection with “Thiruvizha” of Sri Senbagavalli Amman Udanurai Sri Poovanaatha Swami Thirukovil, at Near Kamarajar Silai, Kovilpatti.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Manikandan

For Respondents : Mr.T.Villavan Kothai
Additional Government Pleader for R.1

Mr.A.Albert James
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)
for R.2 & R.3

ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The petitioner wants to conduct the cultural programme on 14.04.2024 at 6.00 pm to 10.00 pm in connection with the petition mentioned temple festival. The Assistant Election Officer, Kovilpatti 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



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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 p.m. Few other conditions have been stipulated in the said circular.

4. In this view of the matter, the impugned proceedings are set aside insofar rejecting the request for conducting Adal Padal program. The petitioner is permitted to have Adal Padal event on 14.04.2024 at 6.00 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.

5. The Writ Petition is allowed accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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