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WP.No.6890 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 26.02.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

W.P.No.6890 of 2025

Soundar Rajan

.... Petitioner

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Nilgris Police Station,
Nilgris District.

.... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for the issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the respondent to give permission to conduct Silambam Competition at Wellington Cantonment Board Play Ground, Nilgris, Tamilnadu on 02.03.2025 between 08.00 a.m., to 08.00p.m by considering my representation dated 19.02.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.Mukesh Kannah

For Respondent : Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



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ORDER

Seeking permission to conduct cultural programme in the event of Silambam Competition at Wellington Cantonment Board Play Ground, Nilgris, Tamilnadu, the petitioner made a representation dated 19.02.2025 to the respondent. As the same has not been considered, the present Criminal Original petition has been filed.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondent.

3. The learned Government Advocate, on instructions, would submit that there is likelihood of arising law and order problem.

4. A mere apprehension cannot be a ground to reject the representation. There is absolutely no material before this Court to hold that there will be a law and order problem in the event of permission being granted. In such view of the matter, this petition is allowed and the



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petitioner is permitted to conduct cultural programme in the event of Silambam Competition at Wellington Cantonment Board Play Ground, Nilgris, Tamilnadu, however with the following conditions:-

(a) The cultural programme in connection with the event of Silambam Competition at Wellington Cantonment Board Play Ground, Nilgris, Tamilnadu shall be conducted on 02.03.2025 between **08.00a.m and 08.00p.m.,**

(b)The petitioner shall pay a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) as charges, to the respondent Police and on receipt of the same, the respondent Police is directed to issue receipt and proceed further.

(c)There should not be any kind of obscene dance or vulgar dialogues during the performance, by anyone of the participants.

(d) Double meaning songs should not be played so as to spoil the minds of students and youths.

(e) No dance or songs, touching upon any political party or religion or community or caste shall be played.

(f) No flex boards in support of any political party or communal leader, shall be erected at the premises of the programme.

(g) The function shall not affect either religious or communal harmony and shall be conducted without any discrimination based on caste.



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(h) If there is 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 forthwith; and

(i) Similarly, the police is directed to stop the dance programme, if it is played beyond the permitted time limit.

(j) The respondent is directed to issue necessary permission, incorporating the above conditions.

5. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed. The uploaded copy can be utilised for the purpose of execution of the Order.

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G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Puduchathiram Police Station,
Puduchathiram, Cuddalore District.
2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

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