



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

WP CrI. No. 957 of 2026

A.Ponnurangam
S/o.Annamalai,
No.187, Pillaiyar Koil Street,
Periaagaram Village,
Polur Taluk,
Thiruvannamalai District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

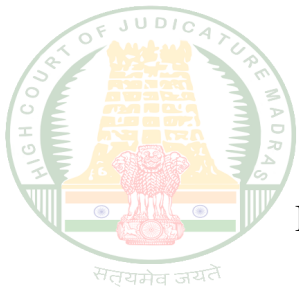
1. The District Collector,
Thiruvannamalai,
Thiruvannamalai District.
2. The Superintendent of Police,
Thiruvannamalai,
Thiruvannamalai District.
3. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Polur, Thiruvannamalai District.
4. The Inspector of Police,
Polur, Thiruvannamalai District.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent herein to give police protection to conduct temple festival and cultural program as scheduled to be held on 24.05.2026 to 28.05.2026 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 05.02.2026.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.G.Tamilselvan



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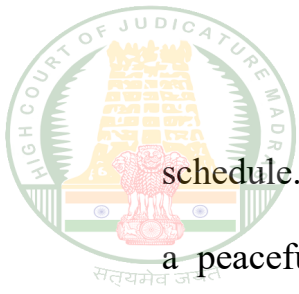
For Respondent(s):

Mr. Leonard Arul Joseph Selvam,
Additional Public Prosecutor**ORDER**

The Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents herein to give police protection to conduct temple festival and cultural program scheduled to be held on 24.05.2026 to 28.05.2026 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 05.02.2026.

2.The contention of the learned counsel for petitioner is that in their village, there is a 200 years old temple in the name of Arulmigu SriKaliyamman and Srimaha Mariamman temple, in which during the month of May, traditional temple festival celebrated. This year, the temple festival stated to be held from 24.05.2026 to 28.05.2026. The temple car festival scheduled to be held on 24.05.2026 and the traditional gruel offering festival scheduled to be held on 26.05.2026 and on 28.05.2026 again the temple car festival along with traditional music would be conducted. Hence, the petitioner, claiming himself as Nattamai of Periaagaram Village, Polur Taluk, had sent a representation to the respondents on 05.02.2026 seeking police protection for the cultural programme. Since, no action has been taken, the present writ petition is filed.

3.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the respondents not received any representation and the temple programme



schedule. If found, there is no serious objection, if temple festival conducted in a peaceful manner with participation of all without any discrimination, the respondent police would provide adequate police protection.

4.The learned counsel for petitioner, on instructions, submitted that the petitioner would appear before the fourth respondent on 29.04.2026 along with the copy of the representation dated 05.02.2026 and the programme invitation.

5.In view of the same, the fourth respondent is directed to receive the representation, cause enquiry and issue appropriate orders after getting approval from all concerned. The entire exercise to be completed within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of the representation.

6.With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of.

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