



W.P.Crl.(MD)No.2145 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 16.04.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

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M.Pandiyarajan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Thirupavanam Police Station,
Thirupavanam,
Sivagangai District.

3.The Special Officer /
Revenue Divisional Officer,
Thiruppuvanam, Sivagangai.

... Respondents

(R3 is suo motu impleaded by this Court vide order dated 16.04.2026)

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 Impugned order in Na.Ka.No.12/Ka.A/Thiruppuvanam/2026, dated 12.04.2026 on the file of the Respondent No.2 and quash the same as illegal and consequently for a direction, directing the respondent no.2 to grant permission for conducting Valli Thirumanam drama on 18.04.2026 in Sri Ponmuniyandi Swamy Temple with adequate police protection within the time period stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.T.Aswin Raja Simman
For R1 & R2 : Mr.S.Ravi
Additional Public Prosecutor
For R3 : Mr.M.Muthumanikkam
Government Advocate(Civil Side)

ORDER

Challenging the impugned order pass by the 2nd respondent on 12.04.2026, negating the petitioner's application to conduct Valli Thirumanam drama on 18.04.2026 in Sri Ponmuniyandi Swamy Temple and consequently, to grant permission to conduct the same with adequate police protection, this writ petition is filed.

2. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the application seeking permission to conduct Valli Thirumanam drama was rejected only because of the rivalry between two groups, which had resulted in a law and order problem during earlier temple festivals. The petitioner, without impleading the rival parties, had filed this writ petition.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner responded by submitting that the said submission made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor is not reflected in the impugned order itself. If at all, any group of people belonging



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to the said village have any objection with respect to conduct of Valli Thirumanam, they can very well appear before the 2nd respondent police and address their grievance.

4. Heard the learned counsel on either side and carefully perused the materials available on record.

5. A careful reading of the impugned order would reveal that, since the code of conduct for election is in force, the petitioner's application was rejected. In this regard, the Special Officer / Revenue Divisional Officer, Thiruppuvanam, Sivagangai is *suo motu* impleaded as 3rd respondent. The 3rd respondent is directed to forthwith conduct an enquiry on 17.04.2026. The petitioner is directed to appear for enquiry before the 3rd respondent at 10.00 a.m. on 17.04.2026 at Thiruppuvanam Revenue Divisional Office. The 2nd respondent police is directed to furnish the details of the rival parties to the 3rd respondent by today (16.04.2026) 5.00 p.m. On the receipt of the same, the 3rd respondent is directed to take necessary steps to summon the rival parties and conduct a peace committee and thereafter, pass necessary orders, facilitating conduct of Valli Thirumanam drama, in accordance with law, if any consensus is arrived.



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6. With the above directions, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

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Note : Issue order copy on 16.04.2026.

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To

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Sivagangai District.
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Thirupavanam Police Station,
Thirupavanam,
Sivagangai District.
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Thiruppuvanam, Sivagangai.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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