



W.P.Crl.(MD)No.2838 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 20.05.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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and

W.M.P.Crl.(MD) No.691 of 2026

G.Vadivel

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Tiruchirappalli District.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Jeeyapuram Sub Division,
Tiruchirappalli District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Jeeyapuram Police Station,
Tiruchirappalli District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records pertaining to the impugned proceedings passed by the 3rd respondent dated 12.05.2026 rejecting permission for conducting the annual temple festival of Arulmigu Maha Mariamman Temple at Kodiyalam Village, quash the same as illegal and arbitrary and consequently direct the respondents to grant necessary permission for conducting the temple festival, including permission for cultural programmes, use of loudspeakers, fireworks, processions and allied customary events scheduled on 24.05.2026 and 31.05.2026 to 02.06.2026



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together with adequate police protection, by imposing reasonable conditions as this Court may deem fit and proper.

For Petitioner : Mr.Balakumar.G.R
For R-1 to R-3 : Mr.A.S.Abul Kalaam Azad
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking to quash the order passed by the 3rd respondent, wherein the request of the petitioner to conduct the annual temple festival of Arulmigu Maha Mariamman Temple at Kodiyalam Village has been rejected.

2. A perusal of the impugned order reveals that at least two criminal cases touching upon the temple festival are pending, out of which one is a murder case. A detailed order has been passed by the third respondent rejecting the request of the petitioner to conduct the temple festival.

3. According to the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, the dispute is only between two families and it cannot affect the rights of the other members of the village in conducting the temple festival. He further submits that the families have entered into a compromise and therefore, there will not be any law and order problem this year.



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4. The learned counsel appearing for the third respondent submitted that in view of the murder cases, they had taken a decision not to permit the temple function.

5. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner further submitted that a settlement has been reached between both the families and the other villagers are ready to appear before the 3rd respondent and give a joint statement with regard to conducting the temple festival in a peaceful manner.

6. In view of the above facts, the petitioner and the other members of the village are directed to appear before the 3rd respondent Police and, if they are willing, they may give a joint statement to the effect that they would conduct the temple festival in a peaceful manner. In case the third respondent is satisfied, he may recall his order dated 12.05.2026 and pass a fresh order permitting the petitioner and the other members to proceed with the temple function.



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7. With the above observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed. No costs.

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Tiruchirappalli District.
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Jeeyapuram Police Station,
Tiruchirappalli District.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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R.VIJAYAKUMAR, J.

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