

W.P.Crl.(MD)No.2879 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 27.05.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

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...Petitioner

Vs.

1.The State of Tamilnadu
Rep by its the Deputy Superintendent of Police
Tamil University Vallam
Thanjavur District.

2.The State Of Tamilnadu Rep By
Inspector Of Police
Taluk Police Station
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to instruct the second respondent to grant permission and protection for the temple festival "Adal Padal" programme Arulmigu Sri Mariamman Kovil, Guruvadi Village, Thanjavur Taluk, Thanjavur District on 30.05.2026 at 06.00 pm to 11.00 pm on the basis of the representation given by the petitioner dated 23.05.2026 within the time limit that may be stipulated.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Bharathi

For Respondents : Mr.S.Sivasubramanian,
Counsel for State of Tamil Nadu(Crl. Side)



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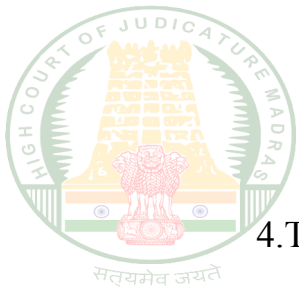
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ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking Mandamus, directing the respondents to grant permission and police protection for conducting Adal Padal programme on 30.05.2026 in connection with temple festival of “Arulmigu Sri Mariamman Kovil, Guruvadi Village, Thanjavur Taluk, Thanjavur District, based on the writ petitioner's representation dated 23.05.2026.

2.Mr.S.Sivasubramanian, learned Counsel for State of Tamil Nadu(Crl. Side) takes notice for the respondents. By consent, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner would submit that the writ petitioner has submitted a representation, dated 19.05.2026, to the second respondent seeking permission to conduct the festival and “Aadal Paadal” programme on 29.05.2026 and 30.05.2026 and that since no order was passed, the writ petitioner has come before this Court for the above said relief.



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4.The learned Counsel for State of Tamil Nadu(Crl. Side) appearing for the respondents would submit that they may be permitted to conduct the Adal Padal programme on 30.05.2026 from 07.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. and the organizers may be directed to follow the conditions to be imposed.

5.At this juncture, the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner would submit that they will follow the directions to be imposed by the Court as well as the respondent police.

6.It is brought to the notice of this Court that the Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu, Chennai had issued a circular memorandum in Rc.No. 007301/Genl.I(1)/2019, dated 09.04.2019, along with instructions to the Inspectors of Police throughout Tamil Nadu for consideration of applications seeking permission for conducting cultural programme. Therefore, the second respondent is directed to consider the writ petitioner's representation dated 23.05.2026 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law. In the event of permission being granted, the writ petitioner shall strictly adhere to the Circular issued by the Director General of Police, Tamil Nadu / Head of Police Force, Chennai, in Rc.No.007301/Genl.I(1)/2019, dated 09.04.2019, and comply with all other conditions imposed by the police authorities. The



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respondent police shall also impose the following conditions in addition to any other conditions that may be imposed by them;

(a) The programme shall be conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner without causing any disturbance to public peace and tranquility or giving rise to any law and order problem;

(b) No obscene dance performance, vulgar dialogues or double meaning songs shall be played or performed during the programme;

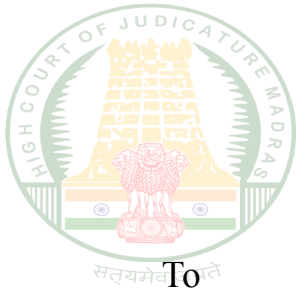
(c) The cultural programme shall be conducted strictly between 07.00 p.m. and 10.00 p.m.;

(d) In the event of violation of any of the above conditions, the respondent police or any officer duly authorised by them shall be at liberty to take appropriate action in accordance with law, including stopping the programme forthwith.

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

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To

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1.The Deputy Superintendent of Police
Tamil University Vallam
Thanjavur District.

2.The Inspector Of Police
Taluk Police Station
Thanjavur District.

3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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