



WP No.15774 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.08.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI,
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

WP No.15774 of 2024
and WMP No.17178 of 2024

S.Muralidharan

.. Petitioner

-VS-

1. State Animal Welfare Board,
Rep. By Member Secretary,
Fanepet, Nandanam,
Chennai 600 035.
2. Directorate of Animal Husbandry
& Veterinary Services,
Rep. By Member Secretary,
Fanepet, Nandanam,
Chennai 600 035.
3. Animal Welfare Board of India,
Rep. by its Chairman,
42, KM Stone, Delhi-Agra Highway,
National Highway-2, Village-Seekri,
Ballabhgarh, Faridabad,
Haryana 121 004.
4. Income Tax Department of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. By Principal Chief Commissioner,
Aayakar Kaaryaalay, 121, M.G.Road,
Nungambakkam, Chennai 600 034.



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5. Blue Cross of India,
Rep. By its Chairman,
No.72, Velachery Rd., Guindy,
Chennai 600 032.

.. Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct respondents 1 and 2 to take over the Blue Cross of India shelter to end animals being subjected to cruelty.

For Petitioner (Party-in-person)	:	No appearance
For Respondents	:	Mr.M.Guruprasad State Govt. Pleader for RR 1 and 2
	:	Mr.V.Chandrasekaran Sr. Panel Counsel, for R-3
	:	No appearance for R-4
	:	Mr.Jayesh B.Dolia for M/s.Aiyar & Dolia for R-5

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ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by G.Arul Murugan, J.)

This writ petition styled as public interest litigation is filed seeking for a direction to the first and second respondents to take over the Blue Cross of India shelter to end animals being subjected to cruelty.



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2. There is no representation on the side of the petitioner, appearing as party-in-person.

3. Learned senior counsel appearing for the 5th respondent submitted that already the Government appointed a Committee to inspect the shelter under the Blue Cross of India, which the 5th respondent herein has challenged in WP No.20366 of 2024, where the petitioner herein is the 5th respondent therein. The learned senior counsel, bringing to the notice of this Court the order dated 29.06.2026 passed by the learned Single Judge in the said writ petition, submitted that already the issue is being dealt with comprehensively and a report has been now sought for from the Animal Welfare Board in respect of the allegations and the challenge made.

4. In view of the fact that already the issue in respect of the shelter under the Blue Cross of India is dealt with by the learned Single Judge in the aforesaid writ petition, where the petitioner herein is the 5th respondent, all these issues could be adjudicated in the pending writ petition.

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Accordingly, this writ petition stands dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the interim application stands closed.

(SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI, CJ.) (G.ARUL MURUGAN, J.)
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Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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