



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 11.02.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.MUNISHWAR NATH BHANDARI, Acting Chief Justice
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

Writ Petition No.887 of 2020
and
W.M.P.No.1066 of 2020 and 1353 of 2022

Shangamithran, S/o Asirvatham

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
O/o District Collector,
Nagapattinam District.
2. The Superintendent of Police,
O/o Superintendent of Police,
Nagapattinam District.
3. Chief Secretary to the Government,
O/o Secretariat,
St.George Fort, Chennai.
4. The Secretary,
Department of Home,
St.George Fort, Chennai.
5. The Commissioner,
Animal Welfare Commission,
Chennai.
6. Chief Engineer,
National Highways,
Chennai.
7. Sub-Collector,
O/o Sub-Collector,
Mayiladuthurai.
8. The Inspector of Police,
Sembanorkoil Police Station,
Sembanorkoil, Nagapattinam District.



9. The Secretary,
Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries Department,
Fort St.George, Chennai-600 009.

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(Suo-Motu impleaded, vide Order dated 19.03.22020
made in W.P.No.887 of 2020)

10. Balasubramanian, S/o Narayanasamy

(R-10 impleaded, vide Order dated 06.01.2022
made in W.M.P.No.952 of 2021 in W.P.No.887 of 2020)

.. Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to take action against the persons involving in Rekla Race in the upcoming Pongal festival and consequentially direct the respondents to form a Committee to frame special guidelines to conduct the Rekla race.

For petitioner : Mr.C.T.Saravanan

For respondents : Mr.R.Shunmugasundaram,
Advocate General,
assisted by
Mr.P.Muthukumar,
State Govt. Pleader
for RR-1 to 4 and 7 to 9

Mr.Balavijayan
for M/s.S.A.Jegan for R-10

ORDER

(The Order of the Court was made by
The Hon'ble Acting Chief Justice)

The Writ Petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondents to frame guidelines to conduct the Rekla race.

2. The learned Advocate General submitted that the direction sought for by the petitioner, has already been considered by the Apex Court in the case of Shivajirao Adhalrao Patil Vs. State of Maharashtra and another, reported in MANU/SCOR/12817/2013 (S.L.P.(Civil).No.13199 of 2012, dated 15.02.2013) and in the



light of the directions given therein, no further direction is required in this Writ Petition. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that let the order be passed to comply with the directions given by the Apex Court on the subject matter.

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3. Considering the rival submissions, we find reasons to dispose of the Writ Petition with a direction to the respondents to comply with the said order dated 15.02.2013 passed by the Apex Court on the subject matter.

4. The Writ Petition is disposed of with the aforesaid direction. No costs. Consequently, W.M.Ps. are closed.

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