



Writ Petition No.22114 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 26.07.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Royal Village Sports Club, Kumarapalayam
represented by its President Mr.K.Lingamoorthy,
R.S.No.330/2A2,
Door No.4-937/2, Arunvankadu,
Kallangattuvalasu Post,
Kumarapalayam Amani,
Kumarapalayam Taluk,
Namakkal District - 638 183.

... Petitioner

Versus

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Namakkal.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Tiruchengode, Namakkal District.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Kumarapalayam Police Station,
Namakkal District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, forbearing the third respondent herein and the subordinate officials from in any manner interfering with the rights of the petitioner club namely Royal Village Sports Club, to play cards and other indoor/outdoor games in the premises of the said



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club functioning at R.S.No.330/2A2, Door No.4-937/2, Aruvankadu, Kallangattuvalasu Post, Kumarapalayam Amani, Kumarapalayam Taluk, Namakkal District - 638 183.

For Petitioner : Mr.E.Ramesh

For Respondents : Mr.A.Damodaran
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for issuance of a writ of mandamus to forbear the third respondent from in any manner interfering with the running of the club by the petitioner.

2. Heard Mr.E.Ramesh, learned counsel for petitioner and Mr.A.Damodaran, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondents.

3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that no complaint has been received against the petitioner so far and hence, there is no occasion for the respondent police to interfere with the running of the club. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor also brought to the notice of this Court an earlier order passed in W.P.No.16835 of 2021 under similar circumstances on 08.09.2021 and for proper appreciation, the



direction issued by this Court is extracted hereunder:

"5. In view of the above, the petitioner's club is permitted to allow play of rummy etc., games without any monetary benefit or any other gambling activities. Further, the petitioner is directed to install CCTV camera in the entrance of the club, so that the activities of the club can be recorded, and also directed to maintain attendance register with particulars of the members. The same to be produced as and when called for and sought by the 2nd respondent Police. The 2nd respondent Police can conduct surprise check without affecting normal functioning of the club activities and also take action if any illegal activities are found to be encouraged in the club."

This Writ Petition is also disposed of in the above terms. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking Order / Non-Speaking Order

Neutral Citation: Yes / No

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High Court, Madras.

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