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W.P.No.12819 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03.06.2024

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

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G.Vijayaraj

.. Petitioner

vs

1. Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Youth Welfare, Sports Development
Shankar Rd, Beach Rd,
Fort St George,
Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600009.

2. President of SDAT
Sports Development Authority of Tamilnadu
116-A, Poonamallee High Rd,
Sastri Nagar, Nehru Park,
Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600084.

3. General Secretary
Tamil Nadu Gymnastics Association
No.1 – C, Kaveri Nagar, Beach 5th Street,
Kottivakkam,
Chennai 600 041.

.. Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondent 1st, 2nd and 3rd Respondent to consider the representation dated 01.04.2024 and to appoint an appropriate authority for national level as well as international level for selection of Gymnasts candidates for Khelo India Sports Meet at and thus render justice.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Balaji



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For Respondents : Mr.P.Harish (R1)
Government Advocate
Ms.N.S.Tanvi (R2)

ORDER

Heard Mr.B.Balaji, for the petitioner, Mr.P.Harish, learned counsel, for R1 and Ms.N.S.Tanvi, learned counsel, for R2 / Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu. No notice is issued to R3 at this juncture.

2. The prayer of the petitioner is for a mandamus directing respondents to consider representation dated 01.04.2024 for appointment of an appropriate authority at National and International level for selection of Gymnasts for the Khelo India Sports Meet.

3. The Khelo India Sports Meet has already been taken place in the month of January, 2024 at Chennai. The petitioner was not selected as he did not satisfy the requirement of having won a national sports meet. In light of the aforesaid, there is no merit in his prayer seeking constitution of a selection committee for sports meet that has already taken place several months ago.

4. The only question that remains is as regard as the selection procedures for National sports meets, in general, which issue has already been taken note of by this Court in the case of *S.Nithya v The Secretary to the Union of India, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Room No.401, C-Wing Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi* [W.P.No.3447 of 2019 dated 19.01.2022].

5. Learned counsel for R2 would state that the directions issued in



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the above case have been taken note of by the respondents and a draft of the Sports Act has been prepared, which is under process of finalization.

6. Recording this, and as nothing further arises for consideration in this writ petition, writ petition is closed. No costs.

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Index:Yes/No
Neutral Citation:Yes
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