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WP.Crl.No.694 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28.08.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR

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The National Restaurant Association of India (NRAI),
Represented by its Secretary General,
Mr.Prakul Kumar,
having its registered office at 4th Floor,
Phase-II, PHD House, 4/2, Siri Institutional Area,
August Kranti Marg,
New Delhi - 110 016.

Appellant(s)

Vs

- 1.The Secretary to Government,
Labour Welfare and Skill Development Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.
- 2.The Director General of Police,
Tamil Nadu Police Headquarters,
No.601, Dr.Radhakrishnan Salai,
Mylapore, Chennai - 600 004.
- 3.The Commissioner of Police,
Greater Chennai Police,
Commissioner office Building,
E.V.K.Sampath Road, Vepery,
Chennai – 600 007.

Respondent(s)

**PRAYER**

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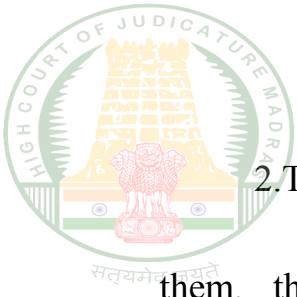
Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the 2nd and 3rd Respondents to issue directions to all the police stations in the state of Tamil Nadu to strictly implement and comply with the Government Order G.O. (D.) No.207 dated 08.05.2025 issued by the 1st Respondent, and to refrain from interfering with the lawful business operations of restaurants/hotels run by the members of the Petitioner Association 24x7.

For Appellant(s): Mr.Vijayan Subramanian

For Respondent: Mr.K.M.D.Muhilan
Additional Public Prosecutor

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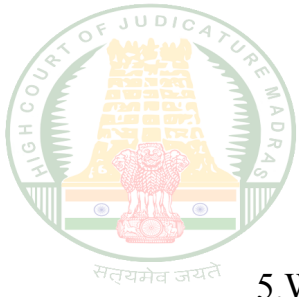
The writ petition is filed by the Petitioner Association seeking direction to the respondents 2 and 3 to issue directions to all the Police Stations in the State of Tamil Nadu to strictly implement and comply with the Government Order G.O.(D.)No.207, Labour Welfare and Skill Development (K2) Department, dated 08.05.2025.



2.The petitioners are the members of the various hotels. According to them, the Government has passed an order permitting all shops and establishments to keep open for 24x7. However, the Police have disturbing their businesses.

3.It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the Police not even aware of passing of the Government Order. Therefore, seeks a direction.

4.At the outset, this Court is of the view that the writ petition filed by the Association for a positive direction cannot be maintained. Whenever any specific instances are brought by the member can be considered. However, it is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the Police are not aware of the Government Order issued in this regard. Hence seeks direction. In view of the same, the respondents 1 and 2 to ensure that the Government order has been properly communicated to the Police Officials in the State and same is followed properly.



5. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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