



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-10-2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ**

**WA No. 7 of 2023
and
CMP No.87 of 2023**

B.Venkatesan

Appellant(s)

Vs

1.Union of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
represented by the Hon'ble Secretary
Department of Sports
Room No.3, "C" Wing
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001

2.Indian Olympic Association
Represented by its Secretary
Olympic Bhawan
B-29, Qutub Institutional Area
New Delhi 110 016

3.Sports Authority of India
Represented by its Secretary cum



Director General
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex
(East Gate) Lodhi Road,
New Delhi 110 003

4.The Administrator / President
Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India
E-386, Cabin-B (Basement)
Greater Kailash Part 1,
New Delhi 110 048

5.Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India
Represented by its General Secretary
“SaiSadan”, New Celforce Tower
Anand Vatika
AT and PO Kharel, N.H.No.8,
Taluka Gandevi Navasari,
Gujarat 396 430

6.Sports Development Authority of
Tamil Nadu
Represented by its Chief Executive
Officer / Member Secretary
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium
Raja Muthaiya Road
Periamet, Chennai 600 003

7.Tamil Nadu Amateur Kabaddi
Association
Represented by its General Secretary
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Ayyampalayam Road, KNP Colony PO
Tirupur 641 608

8.Kanchipuram Amateur Kabaddi



Association
Represented by its General Secretary,
No.373, Mahatma Gandhi Street
Palavakkam, Chenani 600 041

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, against order dated 16.12.2022 passed in W.P.No.21242 of 2022 is liable to be set aside by this Court.

For Appellant(s): Mr.T.Harish Chowdhary
For Mr.J. Pothiraj

For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Samivel
Senior Panel Counsel
For R1 & R2
Mr.L.Chandrakumar For R3
R4-Not Ready in Notice
R5-No Appearance
Ms.N.S.Tanvi For R6
Mr.K.Ramkumar For R7
Mr.A.Jotheeswaran For R8

J U D G M E N T

(Judgment was delivered by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

The writ petitioner is the appellant before this Court. The relief sought in the writ petition is to direct the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu



(SDAT) to frame rules to regulate the District Kabaddi Association before conducting the Chengalpet District Kabaddi Association's election.

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2. It is brought to the notice of this Court that elections have already been conducted. That apart, the District Kabaddi Association is a society registered under the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act, 1975 and is not a “State” within the meaning of Article 12 of the Constitution of India. The society is governed by its approved bylaws, and therefore, for redressal of grievances, the District Kabaddi Association has to approach the District Registrar under the Societies Registration Act or institute a civil suit to resolve the election disputes. However, no writ would lie.

3. Thus, the Writ Appeal stands dismissed. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed. No costs.

(S.M.SUBRAMANIAM J.)(MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ J.)

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Index:Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation:Yes/No

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