



W.P.(MD)No.1168 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
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DATED: 10.01.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

and

THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE

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1.K.R.Chelladurai

2.S.Veerappan

: Petitioners

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Sivagangai District.

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

3.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Devakottai,
Sivagangai District.



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4.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Karaikudi,
Sivagangai District.

5.The Tahsildar,
Karaikudi,
Sivagangai District.

6.The Inspector of Police,
Sakkottai Police Station,
Sivagangai District.

: Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 3 to 6 to prevent the Jallikattu sport and facilitating special honour to selective persons from selective community during the Pongal Festival which is scheduled on 15.01.2025 in Sree Kaveri Ambal Temple situated at Kozhikaraipatti, Puduvayal Post, Karaikudi, Sivagangai District based on the petitioners representation dated 08.01.2025.



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For Petitioner : Mr.K.Rajeshwaran
For Respondents 1, 3 & 5 : Mr.J.Ashok
Additional Government Pleader
For Respondents 4 & 6 : Mr.P.Kottaisamy,
Government Advocate [Crl. Side]

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by **M.S.RAMESH, J.**]

By consent of both sides, the writ petition itself is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.This writ petition has been filed for a Mandamus to direct the respondents 3 to 6 to prevent the Jallikattu sport and facilitating special honour to selective persons from selective community during the Pongal Festival which is scheduled on 15.01.2025 in Sree Kaveri Ambal Temple situated at Kozhikaraipatti, Puduvayal Post, Karaikudi, Sivagangai District based on the petitioners representation dated 08.01.2025.



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3.The petitioners herein had given representation to the respondents on 08.01.2025, in this regard. Since the said representation was not considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

4.It is needless to point out that whenever a representation of this nature is made to a Statutory Authority, there is a duty cast upon him to consider the same on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in one way or other, instead of keeping the same pending indefinitely. As such, non-consideration of the representation by the Statutory Authority would amount to dereliction of duty and hence, this Court will be justified in invoking its extraordinary powers under Article 226 of the Constitution of the India and direct them to consider the same within a stipulated time.

5.In the light of the above observations, there shall be a direction to the respondents 3 to 6 to consider the petitioners' representation dated 08.01.2025, on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, within a period of three [3] days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is made clear that this Court has



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not expressed any of its views with regard to the merits of the matter and that it is open to the concerned respondents to consider the same on its own merits.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

[M.S.R.,J.] & [A.D.M.C.,J.]

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