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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 20.06.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

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... Petitioner

versus

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.

2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vilathikulam Sub Division,
Thoothukudi District.

3. The Sub Inspector of Police,
Pudur Police Station,
Pudur,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking for the issuance of Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records relating to the impugned order dated 09.06.2025 in Na.Ka.No.04/2025 by the 3rd respondent and quash the same as illegal and consequently direct the respondents 1 and 2 to grant permission to conduct and adequate police protection for “Bullock Cart Race” held on 22.06.2025 during the celebration of “Tamilaga Vettri Kazhaga



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Thalapathy Vijay Birthday” at Pudur Union, Thoothukudi District.

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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Balaji
for M/s.P.Banu Prasath

For Respondents : Mr.E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

The petitioner has submitted a representation dated 27.05.2025 to the respondents, seeking permission to conduct “Bullock Cart Race” on 22.06.2025, during the celebration of “Tamilaga Vettri Kazhaga Thalapathy Vijay Birthday” at Pudur Union, Thoothukudi District. The said representation was rejected by the 3rd respondent, by his proceedings dated 09.06.2025. Challenging the same, the petitioner has filed this writ petition.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that in the last week, the ruling party has made a similar request for conducting Rekla Race in the same area, which has been permitted by the respondent Police. On the other hand, when a request has been made by the petitioner, it has been rejected by the respondent Police.



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3. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has confirmed that in the last week, permission has been granted by the respondent Police to conduct Rekla Race in the same area.

4. Since the respondent Police has already granted permission for another political party in the same area, the respondent is not justified in rejecting the petitioner's representation by finding out the reasons. The reasons made out in the rejection application will also be applicable to other persons, who conducted Rekla Race in the last week. The respondent Police are not supposed to take any sides on political reasons.

5. This Court, by considering the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Transfer Petition (C) No.68 of 2013, is granting permission to conduct these type of events.

6. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that they will confine the Bullock Cart Race within two hours, i.e. from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. on 22.06.2025.



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7. In view of the above, this writ petition is disposed of, granting permission to the petitioner to conduct Bullock Cart Race on 22.06.2025 at Pudur Union, Thoothukudi District, from 6.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. However, the petitioner is supposed to conduct Bullock Cart Race without any disturbance to the persons, who are moving in the road. No costs.

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