



W.P.(MD)No.20360 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 18.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH**
AND
THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN**

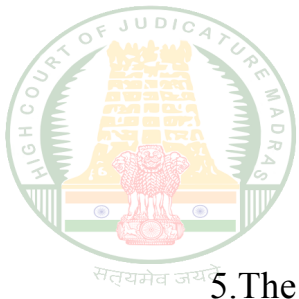
W.P.(MD)No.20360 of 2025 &
W.M.P.(MD)Nos.15753 & 15756 of 2025

S.Babu Gowthaman

... Petitioner

vs.

- 1.The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.
- 3.The Commissioner,
Kovilpatti Municipality,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.
- 4.The Assistant Director (i/c),
Animal Husbandry, Veterinary Hospital Campus,
Ettayapuram Road,
Thoothukudi District.



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5.The Health Inspector,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.

6.The Sub-Inspector of Police,
East Police Station,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.

7.Veeraraj

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition - filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the third respondent to take appropriate action as against the 7th respondent for illegal slaughtering of animals being carried out by him in the name of M.M.Mutton stall at Shop No.1-A-1, Stalls Colony, Jothi Nagar, Kovilpatti, Thoothukudi District in violation of Rule No.298(1)(5)(w) of The Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023 on the strength of the petitioner's representation dated 19.06.2024.

For Petitioner : Mrs.V.Moushica

For Respondents : Mr.S.P.Maharajan (R1, R4 & R5)

Special Government Pleader

Mr.P.Kottaichamy (R2, R6)

Government Advocate

Mr.J.Parekh Kumar (R3)

Mr.T.Thirumurugan (R7)



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(Order of the Court was made by **DR.ANITA SUMANTH, J.**)

The writ petitioner prays for a mandamus directing the Commissioner, Kovilpatti Municipality to take action as against the seventh respondent for illegal slaughtering of animals carried out in a shop by the name, M.M.Mutton Stall, Shop No.1-A-1, Stall's Colony, Jothi Nagar, Kovilpatti, Thoothukudi District.

2. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner, the activities are in violation of the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023.

3. On the earlier occasion, we had recorded the submissions of the learned Additional Government Pleader to the effect that a notice has been issued under Section 296(5)(w) of the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023 r/w Sections 41, 42, 43 and 44 of the Tamil Nadu Public Health Act, 1939.



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4. In response to that, R7 had filed a letter dated 22.08.2025, acceding to the violations. We had sought instructions, on what has transpired subsequently.

5. Mr.J.Parekh Kumar, learned counsel for R3, confirms that the slaughtering of animals does not continue any further. However, he would submit that R7 ought to have procured a Licence under Rule 289 of the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023 and the application for the same has been received only recently.

6. Let the same be processed and necessary orders passed in accordance with law. Till such time, R7 will await issuance of Licence for the business.



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8. With this, this Writ Petition is closed. No costs.

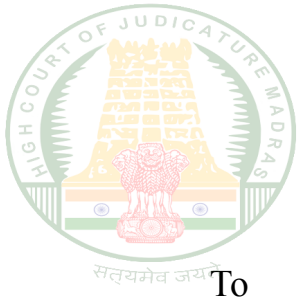
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Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

[A.S.M.J.] & [C.K.J.,]
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