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W.P.No.7436 of 2012

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 25.06.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

W.P.No.7436 of 2012

Master Ajith Arumugam
Represented by his Father and
Natural Guardian Dr.S.Arumugam
52/101, Chamiers Road
R.A.Puram, Chennai-600 028.

... Petitioner

vs.

1. Union of India
Represented by its Secretary
Ministry of Youth Affairs and sports
New Delhi.
2. Union of India
Represented by its Secretary
Ministry of Home Affairs
New Delhi.
3. Rowing Federation of India (RFI)
Represented by its Secretary General
No.7/15, Sriram Colony
Alwarpet, Chennai-600 018.
4. Tamil Nadu Amateur Rowing Association (TARA)

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Represented by its President
New No.11, D'Silva Road
Mylapore, Chennai-600 004.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ of declaration, to declare as unconstitutional the restriction viz., PIO and OCI are excluded from National Rowing Championships in Rule 5 of the Rules of Racing of the Rowing Federation of India, the 3rd respondent herein.

For Petitioner : Ms.A.Iswarya
for Mr.Arun Anbumani

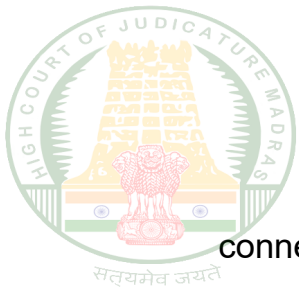
For Respondents : R1, R2, R4 - No appearance
Ms.B.Swati
for Mr.R.Vishnu, for R3

ORDER

[Made by **S. M. SUBRAMANIAM, J.,**]

The writ of declaration has been instituted to declare the restriction viz., PIO and OCI are excluded from National Rowing Championships in Rule 5 of the Rules of Racing of the Rowing Federation of India, the 3rd respondent herein as unconstitutional.

2. At the time of filing the writ petition, the petitioner was a minor and now, he has attained the age of majority. That apart, the conditions imposed during the relevant point of time have lost their relevance and the



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connected writ petition filed in W.P.No.13308 of 2013 has been withdrawn

today i.e., 25.06.2026.

3. In view of the fact that the issue has lost its relevance and the petitioner has attained the age of majority, the Writ Petition stands closed.

No costs.

(S.M.S.,J.) (R.S.V.,J.)
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Index : Yes / No
Neutral Citation : Yes / No
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