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W.P.Crl.No.1065 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01.06.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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Tindivanam United Association
No.43/A, Hospital Road,
Tindivanam,
Villupuram District - 604 001,
Rep.by its President A.K.Kothandam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Superintendent of Police,
Villupuram District.

2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Villupuram District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Roshani Police Station,
Villupuram District.

... Respondents

Prayer:

Writ Petition(Crl.) filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India
praying to issue a Writ of MANDAMUS forbearing the II and III
Respondents from interfering with the lawful activity of playing Rummy
(13 cards) by the members of the petitioners United Association / Club.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.N.Rajan



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For Respondents : Mr.R.Ganesh Kumar,
Counsel for Government of
Tamil Nadu (Criminal Side)

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed praying for a direction forbearing the 2nd and 3rd respondents from interfering with the lawful activity of playing Rummy (13 cards) by the members of the petitioner United Association / Club.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused all the materials placed before this Court.

3. It is seen that in a similar matter, this Court already issued directions in respect of playing rummy in a club. Therefore, the same directions are issued to the respondents as follows:

(i) The petitioner Club/Association shall not indulge in any activity by allowing its members or the guests to play rummy (13 cards) with stakes and make profit or gain.

(ii) The police are entitled to take action only in the event of any illegal activity is carried on in the Club



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premises.

(iii) The police shall not disturb the petitioner-Club/Association frequently under the guise of inspection without there being any reliable information as to the illegal activities of the Club or its members or the guests.

4. However, it is the submission of the learned Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu (Criminal Side) that as against some of the members of the petitioner association, FIR has been registered in crime No.283 of 2025 on the file of the third respondent and it is pending for investigation. Therefore, it is made clear that the above directions have nothing to do with the investigation in crime No.283 of 2025 as against the accused.

5. In the result, this writ petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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- 3.The Inspector of Police,
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- 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras

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