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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

WP Crl. No. 2912 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012628492026}

Seeyalam Sri Mahalakshmi Rural Development
and Recreation Club,
Represented by its President S.Kumar,
2/7 Main road, Seeyalam,
Koothiyampettai, Srikali Taluk,
Mayiladurai District

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Superintendent of Police
   Office of Superintendent of Police,
   Mayiladuthurai,
   Mayiladuthurai District
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police
   Office of Deputy Superintendent of Police,
   Opp. to Bus Stand Sirkali Taluk,
   Mayiladuthurai District

3. The Inspector of Police
   Anaikaranchathtiram Police Station,
   Also Known as AK Chathiram Police Station
   Chennai-Nagapattinam Highway,
   Kollidam, Sirkali,
   Mayiladuthurai District

..Respondent(s)

To issue a Writ of Mandamus forbearing the respondents herein and their subordinate officials from in any manner interfering with the affairs of the petitioner's club namely Seeyalam Sri Mahalakshmi Rural Development and Recreation Club and from preventing the members of the petitioner's club in active participation of club activities Viz, playing card games, board games, and shall issue further direction to the 1st Respondent in receiving and

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enquiring the complaint, if any, against the 2nd respondent and shall pass such further or other orders as this Hon'ble Court deems fit in the facts and circumstances of the case and thus render Justice.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.K.M.Kalicharan

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Crl. Side)

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The petitioner claims to be a club catering to the needs of the populace in Mayiladuthurai District. According to the petitioner, whenever its Members are indulging in sporting activities like playing cards, etc., the police come and interfere and prevent the said activity. Hence, the present writ petition.

2. When the matter was taken up, Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar reports that as many as nine FIRs have been registered under the Tamil Nadu Gaming Act, 1930. Hence, the police were keeping an eye on the activities of the petitioner.

3. I have considered the submissions of both sides. I have gone through the records.

4. Even earlier, the petitioner had approached this Court in W.P.No.32695 of 2022 for more or less the same relief. While disposing of the writ petition on 05.12.2022, this Court had directed that the jurisdictional

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authorities are entitled to take action in case the petitioner breaches any of the gambling laws. The said dictum is reiterated. As long as the petitioner acts within the four corners of law, the police will not interfere. In case they violate the law, the police shall swing into action and take appropriate steps to curb any alleged illegal activities.

5. The writ petition is ordered accordingly.

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