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W.P.Crl.No.1766 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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A.Sakthivel

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Thiruvallur District, Thiruvallur.
2. The Sub-Inspector of Police,
D5, Pallipattu Police Station,
Pallipattu Taluk, Thiruvallur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition (Criminal) is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus or direction in the nature of writ, to direct the respondents to consider the representation dated 12.12.2025 given by the petitioner in so far as to grant permission and police protection for conducting “Cock Fight” at Kallamedu Colony and Village, Konedampettai Post, Pallipattu Taluk, Thiruvallur District, proposed to be conducted from 16.01.2026 to 18.01.2026 within a time frame as fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.John Josh

For Respondents : Mr.K.M.D.Muhilan
Additional Public Prosecutor



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ORDER

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The present Writ Petition (Criminal) has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 12.12.2025 seeking permission and police protection to conduct "Cock Fight" in the petitioner's village.

2. Mr.K.M.D.Muhilan, learned Additional Public Prosecutor, takes notice on behalf of the respondents.

3. In view of the consent expressed by the learned counsel on either side, this Writ Petition (Criminal) is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

4. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents submitted that in W.P.No.25985 to 25987 of 2025, this Court, vide order dated 13.08.2025, held that conducting cock fight is illegal and directed the police officials to prohibit and prevent the cock fight events organized within the State of Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry. Pursuant to the said order, the Director General of Police has also issued a circular in Rc.No.3830/Crime 4(3)/2025 dated 28.08.2025. Therefore, in view of the same, permission cannot be granted to conduct cock fights.



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5. The scanned copy of the Circular dated 28.08.2025 in Rc.No.3830/Crime 4(3)/2025, is reproduced hereunder :-

Re.No.3830/Crime 4(3)/2025

Office of the
Director General of Police,
Head of Police Force,
Tamil Nadu, Chennai-04.

Dated:28.08.2025

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Police – Crime - Not to accord permission for cock fight or any other animal, bird fight within their districts – Instructions issued – Regarding.

Rel:- Order dated 13.08.2025 of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in W.P.Nos.25985, 25986 and 25987/2025 and W.M.P.Nos.29238, 29240 and 29242 of 2025.

Attention of all the Unit Officers are invited to the above subject and reference cited.

2. The above Writ Petition has been filed by the petitioner before the Madras High Court to declare that inciting cock fight is illegal, to prohibit and prevent the cock fight events organised within the State of Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry.

3. The Hon'ble High Court by way of its order, dated 13.08.2025 was pleased to pass orders as follows:-

" Taking into consideration the earlier orders passed by this Court and the provisions contained in the Tamil Nadu Gaming Act, 1930 and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, it is directed that, in any event involving cocks, the provisions of the aforesaid Acts shall be scrupulously followed and neither any gaming will be allowed, nor any kind of cruelty by tying knives, blades or stitching of eyes or any such activity shall be allowed. It shall be the responsibility of the Police Administration to take appropriate action, if any such incident of violation is reported."



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3. The Order of the Hon'ble Madras High Court as stated above shall be scrupulously followed without any deviation. All the necessary legal action shall be taken against the violators of the law.

4. All the Commissioners of Police in Cities and the Superintendents of Police in Districts are instructed to sensitize the police officers about this and ensure compliance.

5. Receipt of this Circular Memorandum should be acknowledged.

Sd/- SHANKAR JIWAL.,
Director General of Police/
Head of Police Force

To
All Commissioners of Police in Cities.
All Superintendents of Police in Districts.

Copy to
All Inspectors General of Police in Zones.
All Deputy Inspectors General of Police in Ranges.

// True Copy Forwarded By Order //

V. H. S. J.
Administrative officer
S. K. S.

6. Recording the submission made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, this Writ Petition (Criminal) stands closed. No costs.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No



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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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