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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 30/01/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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R.Senthilkumar

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Commissioner of Police,
Madurai,
Madurai District.

2. State of Tamilnadu Rep by
Inspector of Police,
Vilakkuthoon Police Station,
Madurai,
Madurai District.

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents herein not to harass or interfere with the lawful functioning and management of Arputham Sports and Recreation Club, Madurai South and on basis of the petitioner representation dated 21.01.2026.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Senguttuarasan
Advocate.

For Respondents : Mr.A.S. Abul Kalaam Azad
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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This Writ Petition has been filed for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents herein not to harass or interfere with the lawful functioning and management of Arputham Sports and Recreation Club, Madurai South, based on the petitioner's representation dated 21.01.2026.

2. Mr. A.S. Abul Kalaam Azad, learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side), takes notice for the respondents.

3. The petitioner is running Arputham Sports and Recreation Club, Madurai South. The allegation against the respondents is that they are harassing the petitioner and interfering with the lawful functioning and management of the said club. The petitioner is having a valid licence, and standard operating procedures have also been prescribed. One such condition is that the members should possess identity cards and enter the club after signing the entry register. Further, there should be CCTV coverage and gambling is prohibited, along with other conditions. In



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spite of the same, the respondents are allegedly harassing the petitioner.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondents, however, submitted that the petitioner was running the same club under a different name, viz., Dream Recreation Club, Madurai South, and that seven FIRs have been registered against the petitioner. Therefore, the present petition cannot be entertained.

5. This Court is of the considered opinion that when standard operating procedures and conditions are prescribed under the licence, the petitioner should be permitted to carry on lawful activities. Only in the event of violation of the conditions, the respondents are entitled to take action. It is submitted by the respondents that the petitioner is not providing necessary documents. For such reasons alone, the respondents cannot interfere with the club activities. However, the petitioner is bound to furnish all necessary particulars, especially CCTV footage and other relevant documents. Therefore, whenever the respondents seek such particulars, the petitioner shall provide the same, otherwise, the



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respondents shall not harass or interfere with the petitioner beyond the conditions and standard operating procedures prescribed in the licence.

6. With the above observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

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