

W.P.(MD)No.153 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 07.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **DR.JUSTICE G. JAYACHANDRAN**
AND
THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE K.K. RAMAKRISHNAN**

W.P.(MD)No.153 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD)No.136 of 2026

P.Murugan

... Petitioner

/Vs./

- 1.The District Collector,
Collectorate, Madurai District.
- 2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Melur Division, Vellaripatti,
Madurai District.
- 3.The Tahsildar,
Madurai South Taluk,
Madurai District.
- 4.The Commissioner of Police,
Madurai City.
- 5.The Inspector of Police,
Avaniyapuram Police Station,
Madurai District.

... Respondents

PRAYER:- Writ Petition - filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to grant permission to the



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Avaniyapuram Village Jallikattu Committee and adequate police protection to conduct Jallikattu festival at Avaniyapuram Village, Madurai District on 15.01.2026 within stipulated time fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Meenakshi Sundaram
Senior Counsel
for Mr.M.Sangeetha
For Respondents : Mr.Veera Kathiravan (R1 to R3)
Additional Advocate General
assisted by Mr.S.P.Maharajan
Special Government Pleader
Mr.K.Gnanasekaran (R4 & R5)
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

ORDER

(Order of the Court was delivered by **DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.**)

One Murugan claiming himself as a President of Avaniyapuram village Jallikattu Committee is before this court seeking mandamus to grant permission to the Avaniapuram Village Jallikattu Committee and adequate police protection to conduct Jallikattu festival at Avaniapuram village proposed to be held on 15.01.2026.

2.Learned Additional Advocate General appearing for the official respondents submits that as per the Tamil Nadu Regulation of Jallikattu Act, 2009 and the Standard Operating Procedure issued by the Animal Welfare Department vide communication dated 21.11.2025,



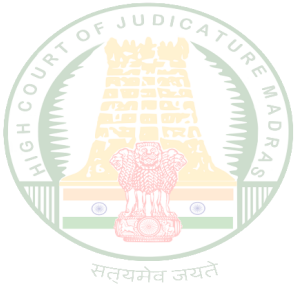
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Jallikattu at Avaniyapuram is organized by the Revenue Officials of the State with the assistance of villagers, who form part of the Advisory Committee.

3.Considering the international importance of the Jallikattu conducted at Avaniapuram, Alanganallur and Palamedu, the State itself is directly organizing the events. Therefore, the petitioner cannot have any independent request to grant permission for his Committee to conduct Jallikattu at Avaniapuram Village.

4.Learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that atleast the Advisory Committee must consist of collective representation of all community in that village.

5.Learned Additional Advocate General submits that the Advisory Committee will be constituted as per the practice in previous years and also considering the guidelines of this Court issued in a batch of writ petitions in W.P.(MD)No.526 of 2020 etc., dated 13.01.2020.



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6.Recording the above submission, this writ petition stands

disposed of. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

There shall be no order as to costs.

[G.J., J.] & [K.K.R.K., J.]
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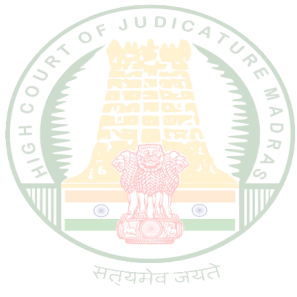
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