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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19-11-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 44562 of 2025

Thiruvallur District Weightlifting Sports Association
Registration No 102/2021
Rep By Its Secretary, Mr. R. Jayaseelan
Having Office At CTH Road, Kakalur
Thiruvallur Taluk And District Tiruvallur 602 003.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Secretary
Sports Development Authority of
Tamilnadu, Nehru Stadium,
Chennai 600 003

2.The President
Tamil Nadu State Weightlifting
Association,
C/o Ponjesly College of Engineering,
Parvathipuram, Nagercoil,
Kanyakumari District,
Kanyakumari District,
Tamilnadu Pin Code 629 003

Respondent(s)

PRAYER; This writ petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India,

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to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondent to permit the petitioners list of candidates to represent the petitioner Association for the state weightlifting competition being held on 28.11.2025 30.11.2025 at Ponjesly college of Engineering, Nagercoil, Kanyakumari.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S. Thiruvengadam
For Respondent: Ms.N.S.Tanvi R1

ORDER

This petition has been filed seeking a direction to the Respondent to permit the petitioners list of candidates to represent the petitioner Association for the state weightlifting competition being held on 28.11.2025 30.11.2025 at Ponjesly college of Engineering, Nagercoil, Kanyakumari.

2. It is represented by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner Association is Tiruvallur District Weightlifting Sports Association and the said Association is a recognised one. It is submitted that a circular dated 22.10.2025 has been issued by the 3rd respondent State Weightlifting Competition to be held on 28.11.2025 to 30.11.2025 at Ponjesly College of Engineering, Nagercoil, Kanyakumar. In order to participate in the said Championship programme, certain Women as well as Men candidates were shortlisted by the petitioner Association and an entry list, dated 09.11.2025 was prepared and addressed to the 3rd respondent.

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2. However, due to some alleged animosity or internal feud between the petitioner Association and the third respondent, the list submitted by the petitioner Association has not been approved and therefore, the selected candidates / players would not be in a position to participate in the said Champion Meet, which is slated to be conducted at Kanyakumari on 28.11.2025, 29.11.2025 and 30.11.2025. In such circumstances, this writ petition has been filed by the petitioner Association seeking for appropriate orders to consider the list of shortlisted candidates to participate in the said programme.

3. Since the Championship programme is to be conducted shortly, this Court feels that a direction can be given to the 3rd respondent to the following effect :-

** That there shall be a direction to the 3rd respondent to permit the three women players and one men player shortlisted by the petitioner Association, vide list dated 11.11.2025 in the Championship programme to be held in Kanyakumari on 28.11.2025, 29.11.2025 and 30.11.2025.*

** It is for the petitioner to take the players immediately to the venue of the Championship Programme and on production of this order, the players as indicated in the list dated 11.11.2025 shall be permitted by the 3rd respondent to participate in the Championship Meet.*

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4. Ms.N.S.Tanvi, learned counsel takes notice for the 1st respondents. Notice to the 2nd and 3rd respondent, returnable by 24.11.2025. Private notice is also permitted.

5. Post the matter on 24.11.2025 along with W.P. No.29012 of 2022., 28487 of 2022 and 22771 of 2023.

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It is represented by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner Association is Tiruvallur District Weighlifting Sports Association and the said Association is a recognised one. It is submitted that Tamil Nadu State Weightlifting Championship 2024-25 will be held on 09.08.2024, 10.08.2024 and 11.08.2024 at VIT University Campus, Vellore. In order to participate in the said Championship programme, certain Women as well as Men candidates (6 +5) were shortlisted by the petitioner Association and an

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entry list, dated 23.07.2024 was prepared and addressed to the 3rd respondent.

2. However, due to some alleged animosity or internal feud between the petitioner Association and the third respondent, the list submitted by the petitioner Association has not been approved and therefore, the selected candidates / players would not be in a position to participate in the said Champion Meet, which is slated to be conducted at Vellore on 09.08.2024, 10.08.2024 and 11.08.2024. In such circumstances, this writ petition has been filed by the petitioner Association seeking for appropriate orders to consider the list of shortlisted candidates to participate in the said programme.

3. Since the Championship programme is to be conducted shortly, this Court feels that a direction can be given to the 3rd respondent to the following effect :-

* That there shall be a direction to the 3rd respondent to permit the five men players and six women players shortlisted by the petitioner Association, vide list dated 23.07.2024 in the Championship programme

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to be held in Vellore on 09.08.2024, 10.08.2024 and 11.08.2024.

* It is for the petitioner to take the players immediately to the venue of the Championship Programme and on production of this order, the players as indicated in the list dated 23.07.2024 shall be permitted by the 3rd respondent to participate in the Championship Meet.

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4. Mr. Yogesh Kannan, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for the 1st and 2nd respondents. Notice to the 3rd respondent, returnable by 14.08.2024. Private notice is also permitted.

5. Post the matter on 14.08.2024 along with W.P. No.29012 of 2022.

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