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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **12.03.2026**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR**
AND
THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN**

WP.(MD)No.2231 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD)No.1746 of 2026

A.Bhuvendran

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise,
Chepauk, Chennai-600 005.

2.The District Collector,
Sivagangai District, Sivagangai.

3.The Assistant Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise,
Collectorate, Sivagangai District.

4.Surya Sports and Recreation Club,
Rep by its Secretary,
44/1, 2, 3, Madurai Mandapam Main Road,
Ward/S, Thiruppuvanam,
Sivagangai District-630611

... Respondents

PRAYER:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to forbear the respondents Nos.1 to 3 from granting the FL2 license to the fourth respondent club without considering the objections submitted by the petitioner and other residents.



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For Petitioner : Mr.T.Lajapathi Roy,
Senior Counsel,
for M/S.Roy and Roy Associates

For R1 to R3 : Mr.A.Kannan,
Additional Government Pleader

For R4 : Mr.T.Sivananthan

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **N.SATHISH KUMAR, J.**)

This writ petition has been filed to forbear the official respondent from granting FL2 license to the fourth respondent club without considering the objections submitted by the petitioner and other residents.

2.The main grievance of the writ petitioner is that he has given objections to grant FL2 license to the fourth respondent club. As per Rule 19(A) of the Tamil Nadu Liquor (Licence and Permit) Rules, 1981, before granting license, the licensing authority should satisfy himself that the local needs justify the grant of the licence and that the public interest shall not suffer. In this regard the petitioner has also given objections, which has not been considered by the official respondents. Hence, the writ petition.



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3.The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the official respondents, on instructions, would submit that the objections of the petitioner will be considered before issuing any license.

4.Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials placed on record.

5.Considering the submissions made by the learned Additional Government Pleader on behalf of the official respondents, we direct the official respondents to consider the objections of the petitioner and to strictly follow the guidelines issued by this Court in WP.(MD)No.21149 of 2025 dated 22.08.2025, before taking any decision with regard to the issuance of FL2 license. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[N.S.K., J.] & [M.J.R., J.]
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