



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19-01-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 1219 of 2026

and

WMP.Nos. 1419 & 1420 of 2026

A.Gandhimathi,
W/o. E.Govindasamy, Physical Education Teacher,
Government Higher Secondary School,
Sathyamurthi Nagar, Avadi,
Tiruvallur District 600 062.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs.

1. The Director,
Directorate of School Education DPI Campus,
College Road, Chennai 600 006.
2. The Joint Director of School Education
(Higher Secondary) Office of Directorate of
School Education, DPI Campus, College Road,
Chennai 600 006.
3. The Joint Director of School Education
(Personnel)
Office of Directorate of School Education,
DPI Campus, College Road, Chennai 600 006.
4. The Chief Educational Officer,
Tiruvallur District, Tiruvallure.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of writ of certiorarified mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned proceedings issued by the 3rd respondent in Na.Ka.



No.65778/C5 / E2/2025 dated 08.12.2025, quash the same in so far as declaring the petitioner as not eligible for promotion to the post of Physical Director Grade II is concerned, and consequently direct the respondents to include the name of the petitioner in the 2025 panel and to promote the Petitioner as Physical Director Grade II by treating the BPES degree awarded by Annamalai University as an eligible qualification based on panel seniority with consequential benefits.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.G.Sankaran, Senior Counsel for
Mr.S.Nedunchezhiyan

For Respondent(s):

Ms.Mythreye Chandru
Special Govt. Pleader (Puducherry)

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the impugned proceedings issued by the 3rd respondent in Na.Ka. No.65778/C5 / E2/2025 dated 08.12.2025, quash the same in so far as declaring the petitioner as not eligible for promotion to the post of Physical Director Grade II is concerned, and consequently direct the respondents to include the name of the petitioner in the 2025 panel and to promote the Petitioner as Physical Director Grade II by treating the BPES degree awarded by Annamalai University as an eligible qualification based on panel seniority with consequential benefits.

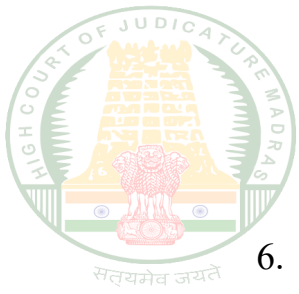
2. By the consent of the learned counsel appearing on either side, this writ petition is taken up for disposal at the admission stage.



3. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has been working as Physical Education Teacher in Government Higher Secondary School, Sathiyamurthi Nagar, Avadi, Tiruvallur District and the next level of promotion is Physical Director Grade II. However, the petitioner's promotion is delayed because of non-obtaining Bachelor of Physical Education (B.P.Ed.,) qualification.

4. Learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has acquired the required qualification to the promotional post of Physical Director Grade-II by acquiring BPES qualification, which is equivalent to B.P.Ed. and without considering the same, the respondent rejected promotion to the petitioner for the said post. The petitioner has already made an objection on 11.12.2025 to the Head Master and on the same day, the said objection was recommended by the Headmaster to the 4th respondent. However, till date, the 4th respondent has not considered the same. Hence, he prayed for appropriate orders.

5. Learned Senior counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that this Court may issue a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's objection dated 11.12.2025 and pass appropriate orders on the same within a specified time.



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6. Learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents would submit that the respondents will consider the petitioner's objection dated 11.12.2025 and pass appropriate orders within a period of six weeks.

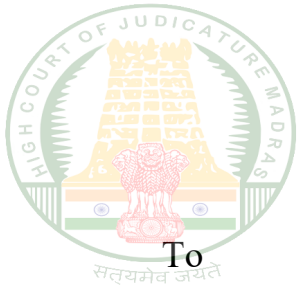
7. In view of the same, the 4th & 2nd respondents are directed to consider the petitioner's objection dated 11.12.2025 which was recommended by the Headmaster and pass appropriate orders on the same, in accordance with law, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

8. This Writ Petition is disposed of with the above terms. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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