



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 13-07-2026**

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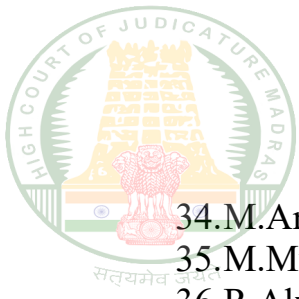
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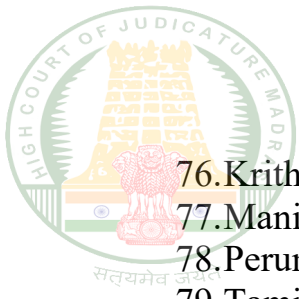
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..Petitioners

Vs

1. The Registrar  
Anna University  
Sardar Patel Road,  
Chennai -600 025.



2. The Dean,  
Secretary to Government  
Higher Education Department  
Government of Tamil Nadu.  
Member, Convenor Committee,  
Anna University.
3. The Dean,  
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Government of Tamil Nadu.  
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4. The Dean,  
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5. The Dean  
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Madurai -625019
7. The Dean  
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Tirunelveli -627007
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Ramanathapuram -623513

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Thirukkuvalai -610204

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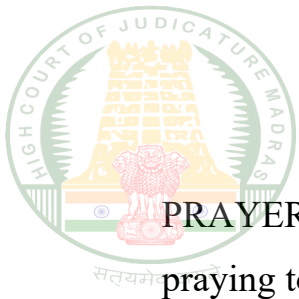
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Tiruchirappalli -620024

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Thoothukudi -628008.

..Respondents



**PRAYER :** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus calling for the records in the Circular dated NIL issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent to recruit Guest Faculty and the advertisement dated 08.03.2026 issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent and published in the Dinakaran Newspaper quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to engage the petitioners in the existing vacancies as per the AICTE norms of 1: 20 faculty student ratio and pass orders.

For Petitioners: Ms.D.Geetha

For Respondent(s): Mr.Ajmal Khan, Senior Counsel  
of M/s.Ajmal Associates  
[R1, R4 to R20]

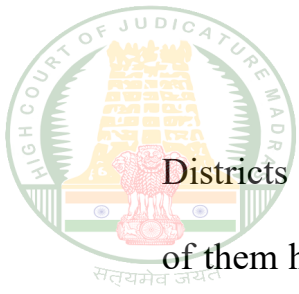
Mr.A.R.Balaji  
Government Advocate [R2 & R3]

### **ORDER**

The writ petition has been filed seeking the following relief :

*“ calling for the records in the Circular dated NIL issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent to recruit Guest Faculty and the advertisement dated 08.03.2026 issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent and published in the Dinakaran Newspaper quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to engage the petitioners in the existing vacancies as per the AICTE norms of 1: 20 faculty student ratio.”*

2. The petitioners herein are engaged as temporary Teaching Fellows in the Constituent Colleges and Regional Universities functioning in various



Districts of Tamil Nadu and IN the campus of the Anna University, and many of them have put in over 11 years of service. The grievance of the petitioners is that the respondent-University haD disengaged theIR services from 01.01.2026 and proceeded to issue circular dated Nil to all the Deans of the Constituent Colleges and Regional Campuses, directing the Dean to engage Guest Faculty over and above the sanctioned post and with reference to the same, had also published an advertisement dated 08.03.2026 in Dinakaran Tamil Daily. Challenging the same, the petitioners are before this Court.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side and also perused the materials available on record. The respondent-University has also filed the counter.

4. The writ petitioners have not enclosed the copy of the impugned Circular addressed to the Dean of the Constituent Colleges as alleged in the affidavit, along with the writ petition. However, with reference to the advertisement in Dinakaran Daily, which has been annexed at Page 125 in the typed set of papers, pertaining to "Admission to Ph.D / M.S. (By Research) / M.S. Research) + Ph.D.Programmes July 2026, Session", the grievance of the petitioners is that under the guise of admitting the Research Scholars in the respondent-University, the University would utilise those Research Scholars and admit them as Faculty Members in their institutions. However, this apprehension has been refuted by the respondent-University in the counter



affidavit filed by the University. The undertaking which has been given in the counter affidavit is extracted hereunder :

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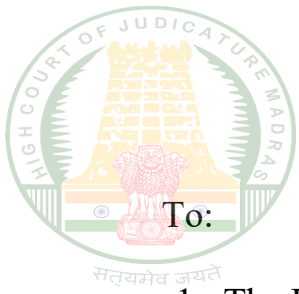
“25. .... The Anna University hereby unequivocally undertakes before this Hon'ble Court that the candidates admitted as research scholars shall not be engaged for regular teaching work nor utilized for filling any teaching faculty vacancies in the University. The Writ Petition deserves no merits and thus the same is liable to be dismissed.”

5. Recording the above, this writ petition stands disposed of. It is open to the petitioners to challenge the appointment of Guest Faculty by filing a separate petition. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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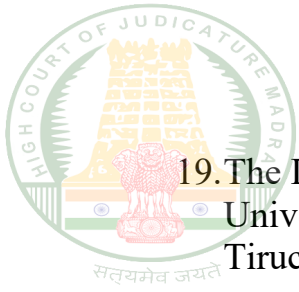
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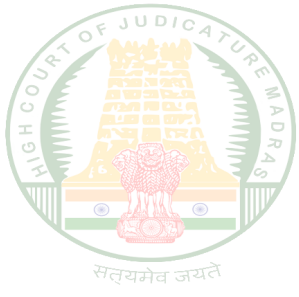
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