



W.P.No.35629 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 26.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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and

W.M.P.Nos.39875, 39878 and 39881 of 2025

1. S.Thuyavanan
2. S.Sathiyaraj
3. Shamyugtha SE
4. N D Kalaivani
5. C.Sivasakthi
6. G.Anusuya
7. C.Chinnanan
8. N.Kaviyarasu
9. Siranjeevi K
10. K.Kavipriya
11. P.Jayaprakash
12. Arthi.P
13. D.Jothi
14. R.Banushree
15. M.Aswini
16. G Karthik
17. K S Rubachandar
18. Maran V
19. S.Suriya
20. P.Aravinthan
21. R.Ambika
22. R.N.Anuarchana
23. S.Akila
24. R.Karpagam
25. S.Salina
26. K.Tamil Akarathi
27. A.Ramya



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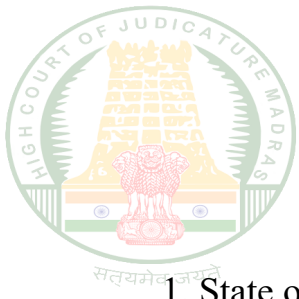
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34. M.Surendhiran
35. G.N.Thanasekar
36. D.Gowthaman
37. T Sutha
38. N.Saranya
39. V.Amirthalingam
40. G.Pradeepa
41. R.Shobana
42. K.Praveena
43. M.Arputhaselvi
44. S.Priyanka
45. S.Nivetha
46. G.Thomas
47. R.C.Rajalashmi
48. V.Vasanthakumar
49. Naveenkumar.S
50. V.Suganya
51. Sandhiya M.P
52. B.Suvetha
53. A.Gokul
54. C.Vasanthi
55. M.Vignesh Kumar
56. V.Nithya
57. M.Priyadharshini
58. M.Priyanga
59. P.Menaga
60. R.Anburaja
61. K.Kanimozhi
62. D.Thilagavathi
63. V.Vijayalakshmi
64. M.Senbagam
65. S.Singaravel
66. Tamil Selvi C



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67. Sowmiya.G
68. E.Shenbagam
69. A.Anu
70. M.Zakira Kanam
71. L.Sanmugapriya
72. V.Srimathi
73. G.B.Suriyalakshmi
74. G.Suganya
75. R.Saranya
76. Rathna.S
77. M.Kokila Devi
78. G.Priya
79. M.Udhaya Bharathi
80. T.Kavibharathi
81. V.M.Rasikapriya
82. S.Gowthami
83. M.Bharathi
84. D.Pavithra
85. T.Nivetha Shri
86. Sridevi.V
87. R.Praveena
88. S.Sangavi
89. P.Kavitha
90. P.Sangeetha
91. M.Suganya
92. Suji R.K.
93. D.Sathiya
94. T.Sangeetha
95. J.RahumathNisha
96. N.Sowmiya
97. S.Hemalatha
98. D.Vijai Babu
99. V.Vengattammal
100. M.Vijayalakshmi
101. A.Monisha
102. S.Nivetha
103. A.Selvaganapathi
104. T.Keerthana

...Petitioners



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-Vs-

1. State of Tamil Nadu,

Represented By The Agricultural Production Commissioner
and Principal Secretary to Government,
Agriculture - Farmers Welfare Department,
Fort St. George,
Chennai - 600009.

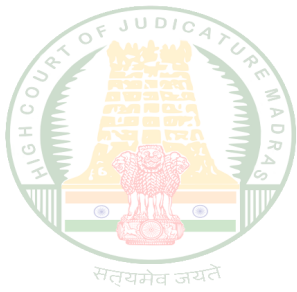
2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of
Tamil Nadu,
Finance (Pay Cell) Department,
Fort St. George,
Chennai - 600009.

3. The Commissioner of Agriculture,
Office of The Commissionerate of Agriculture,
Chepauk,
Chennai – 600005.

4. Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission,
Represented By The Secretary,
TNPSC Road,
Chennai - 600003.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records on the files of the second respondent bearing GO Ms.No.401 Finance(Pay Cell) Department dated 12.11.2020 and to quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to place the petitioners in the original pay band of Rs.15600 - 39100 with a Grade Pay of Rs.5400, placing them at level 22, thus enabling the petitioners to draw a pay scale commensurate to the pay scale fixed for level 22 as per the Tamil Nadu Revised Pay Rules 2017 i.e. between Rs.56,100 – 1,77,500.



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For Petitioners : Mr.R.Viduthalai, Senior Counsel
for Ms.R.Revathy

For R1 to R3 : Mr.V.Jeevagiridharan
Additional Government Pleader

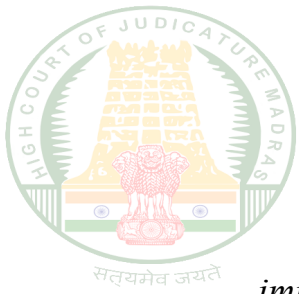
ORDER

This writ petition has been filed calling for the records on the files of the second respondent bearing GO Ms.No.401 Finance(Pay Cell) Department dated 12.11.2020 and to quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to place the petitioners in the original pay band of Rs.15600 - 39100 with a Grade Pay of Rs.5400, placing them at level 22, thus enabling the petitioners to draw a pay scale commensurate to the pay scale fixed for level 22 as per the Tamil Nadu Revised Pay Rules 2017 i.e. between Rs.56,100/- – Rs.1,77,500/-.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

3. The very same Government Order was challenged before the Madurai Bench of this Court in a batch of writ petitions in W.P.(MD) Nos.17163 of 2020 and etc batch, by order dated 04.04.2024, wherein this Court issued the following directions.

“ 83. The upshot of the above discussions leads to the following conclusions and directions issued by this Court :



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(i) *The report of the PGRC 2019 and the consequential impugned Government Orders issued are hereby set aside;*

(ii) *The Government shall constitute a new PGRC under the Hon'ble Mr.Justice M.Sathyanarayanan, formerly Judge of High Court, Madras, who shall be the Chairman of the new PGRC;*

(iii) *The Chairman of the new PGRC is at liberty to co-opt two experts as he deems appropriate as Members of the new PGRC and it will be more appropriate to co-opt members, who had experience on the financial side and also on the engineering side;*

(iv) *The Government is at liberty to nominate one or two senior level IAS officer(s) at the level of Principal Secretary, serving or retired as Member(s) of the new PGRC;*

(v) *The remuneration for the Chairman of the new PGRC shall be fixed at Rs.3.5 lakhs per month and the remuneration of the two Members to be coopted shall be fixed at Rs.2 lakhs each per month;*

(vi) *It is left open to the Government to fix the remuneration of the Member(s) of the Committee to be nominated by the Government, if he/she is/they are retired IAS Officer(s);*

(vii) *The Government is directed to constitute the new PGRC within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and the Government shall grant six months' time for the new PGRC to submit its recommendations regarding the enhancement/reduction of the pay scales/ grade pay of 52 or more categories of 20 or more departments, etc.;*

(viii) *The terms of reference of the new PGRC shall also be to examine the recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission on the scales of pay and other allowances and make necessary recommendations in consequence of the recommendations to be made as per Clause (vii);*

(ix) *While making the recommendations on the scales of pay/ grade pay, the new PGRC shall take into account the historical parity, local conditions, qualifications, the nature of duties, the job responsibilities attached to the post and the local relativities. This shall also include the revision of pension, family pension, retirement benefits, etc., and the new PGRC shall make necessary recommendations;*

(x) *In view of the direction issued by this Court for constitution of the new PGRC, the present status quo shall be*



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maintained until a fresh decision is taken by the Government based on the recommendations to be given by the new PGRC;

(xi) As clarified in the earlier order passed by the Division Bench in W.A.No.1271 of 2021 dated 27.4.2021, the pay protection that was given by virtue of the interim orders will be subject to the result of the recommendations to be given by the new PGRC, which will be implemented by the State Government; if any excess payment has been made to the petitioners, the same shall be repaid back in view of the undertaking that was given before this Court;

(xii) There shall be a direction to the State Government to make available the office premises with supporting staff and to provide a Government car with driver for the used of the Chairman of the new PGRC for the effective functioning of the Committee; and

(xiii) Within four weeks of the constitution of the new PGRC, all the concerned individuals/associations shall file their respective representations and it is made clear that no representations will be entertained beyond the period of four weeks."

8. In view of the above directions, this writ petition stands disposed of.

Consequently, connected Miscellaneous petitions are closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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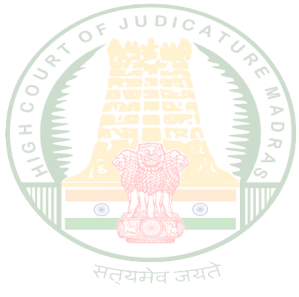
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