

W.P(MD)No.21446 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 05.08.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.21446 of 2025

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.16567 of 2025

1.K.Murugesan,
Senior Revenue Inspector,
Pudukottai Revenue Unit,
Pudukottai District.

2.R.Senthil Kumar,
Senior Revenue Inspector,
Pudukottai Revenue Unit,
Pudukottai District.

3.G.Lakshmanadoss Gandhi,
Senior Revenue Inspector,
Pudukottai Revenue Unit,
Pudukottai District.

...Petitioners

Vs

1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Personnel and Administrative
Reforms (B) Department,
Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.

2.The Principal Secretary,
Revenue and Disaster Management Department,
Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.

3.The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration,
Disaster Management and Mitigation Department,
Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.



4.The District Collector,
Pudukottai Collectorate,
Pudukottai.

5.P.Lalitha,
Zonal Deputy Tahsildar,
Kulathur Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

6.C.Palanivelu,
Head Quarter Deputy Tahsildar,
Gandharvakottai Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

7.M.Bala Murugan,
Deputy Tahsildar (Election),
Avudayar Kovil Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

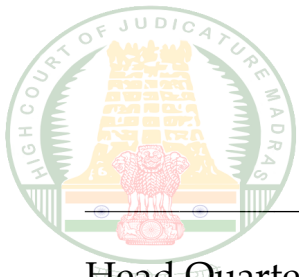
8.A.Thilagam,
Taluk Supply Officer,
Ponnamaravathy Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

9.V.Krishnamoorthy,
Deputy Tahsildar (Election),
Kulathur Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

10.T.Alagunila,
Deputy Tahsildar (Retired),
Pudukottai Revenue Unit,
Pudukottai District.

11.M.Stella,
Taluk Supply Officer,
Karambakudi Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

12.K. Pandi,



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Head Quarter Deputy Tahsildar,
Illuppur Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

13.G.Muthukalai,
Zonal Deputy Tahsildar,
Kulathur Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

14.S.Bhuvaneswari,
Deputy Tahsildar (Election),
Gandharvakottai Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

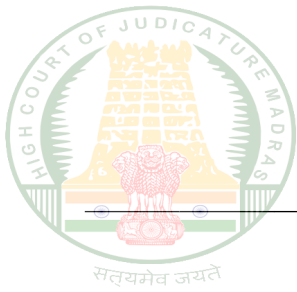
15.Arulselvam,
Huzur Head Assistant,
Collector Officer,
Pudukottai District.

16.K.Mathialagan,
Zonal Deputy Tahsildar,
Manamelgudi Taluk,
Pudukottai District.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Miscellaneous Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to grant an Order of AD INTERIM STAY of the impugned order passed by the 3rd respondent in S.Mu.AA.No. 3(3)/01/1950/2024, dated 14.07.2025, confirming the Revised Panel of Deputy Tahsildars published by the 4th respondent District Collector in R.C.No. A2/4708/2020, dated 29.12.2023, for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020 as well as in R.C.No.A2/E-836607/2023, dated 18.02.2024, the years 2021, 2022, 2023, pending disposal of the Writ Petition.

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Senior Counsel
for M/s.Isaac Chambers

For Respondents : Mr.S.R.A.Ramachandran
Additional Government Pleader
for R1 to R4

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ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed challenging the Deputy Tashildars panel issued for the year 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. A consequential order has been issued on 14.07.2025, confirming the said revised panel rejecting the objections raised by the writ petitioners.

2.The authorities are duty bound to revise the seniority list for the Revenue Inspectors who were selected in the year 2012, and who had assigned with seniority based upon their communal rotation. There cannot be any dispute over the said proposition of law. However, when the authorities are preparing the panel for each year, the same seniority list cannot be replicated without considering the eligibility of each one of the candidates for that particular year.

3.In the present case, the authorities have simply converted the seniority list as panel for each one of the years and they have rejected the objection raised by the writ petitioners.



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4.The petitioners have made out a prima facie case, there shall be an order of interim stay. Notice of motion returnable by 10.09.2025. Private notice is also permitted.

5.Post the matter on 10.09.2025.

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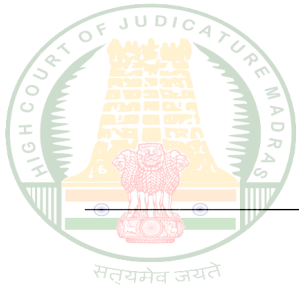
TO

1 THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
REFORMS (B) DEPARTMENT
FORT ST. GEORGE, SECRETARIAT,
CHENNAI 600 009

2 THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT
FORT ST. GEORGE, SECRETARIAT,
CHENNAI 600 009

3 THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY /
COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION,
DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION
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PUDUKOTTAI

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KULATHUR TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

6 THE HEAD QUARTER
DEPUTY TAHSILDAR
GANDHARVAKOTTAI TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

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AVUDAYAR KOVIL TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

8 THE TALUK SUPPLY OFFICER
PONNAMARAVATHY TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

9 THE DEPUTY TAHSILDAR (ELECTION)
KULATHUR TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

10 THE DEPUTY TAHSILDAR (RETIRED)
PUDUKOTTAI REVENUE UNIT
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

11 TALUK SUPPLY OFFICER
KARAMBAKUDI TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

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ILLUPPUR TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT



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13 ZONAL DEPUTY TAHSILDAR
KULATHUR TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

14 DEPUTY TAHSILDAR (ELECTION)
GANDHARVAKOTTAI TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

15 HEAD ASSISTANT
COLLECTOR OFFICER
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

16 ZONAL DEPUTY TAHSILDAR
MANAMELGUDI TALUK
PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

+1. C.C. to M/S.ISAAC CHAMBERS Advocate SR.No.8466 (I) DT.06/08/2025

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