

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 28850 of 2026

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Dr.V.Kavitha B.P.Ed., B.A., M.A., M.Phil.,
Ph.D., (Economics)
Physical Training Instructor
Rajeswari Vedachalam Government Arts
College
Chengalpattu 603 001.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Principal Secretary
Department of Higher Education
Chennai 600005.
2. The Commissioner Of Higher Education
Department of Higher Education
Saidapet, Chennai 600015.
3. The Principal
Rajeswari Vedachalam Government Arts
College
Chengalpattu 603001.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer:- Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct the 1st respondent to consider the petitioners promotion to the post of Asst. Professor in 3rd respondent college based on the petitioners representation dated 12.06.2026.



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For Petitioner(s):

Mr. R.Subburaj

For Respondent(s):

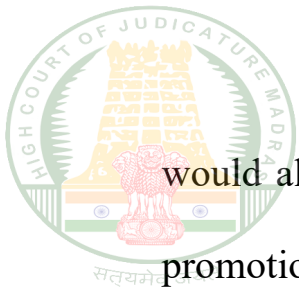
Mr.L.Gokulraj

Government Advocate

Order

This writ petition has been filed for a mandamus, directing the 1st respondent to consider the petitioner's promotion to the post of Assistant Professor in the 3rd respondent-College based on her representation dated 12.06.2026.

2. The petitioner would submit that she is working as a Physical Training Instructor in a Government College since 01.03.2008. She has been working in the same post for the past 18 years without any promotion. She has obtained B.A., M.A. (Economics), B.P.Ed., M.Phil. and Ph.D. qualifications and claims that she is now fully qualified for the post of Assistant Professor (Economics). She would further state that, under the Special Rules, qualified employees from Ministerial and Subordinate Services can be appointed as Assistant Professors by transfer when suitable candidates are not available through other methods. She



would also submit that similarly placed employees have been given such promotion and that one post of Assistant Professor (Economics) has been vacant since 2015. Therefore, she made representations seeking promotion by transfer, including representations dated 11.06.2026 and 12.06.2026. As her request was not considered, she has filed the present writ petition.

3. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate appearing for respondents.

4. Considering the limited scope of the prayer sought in this writ petition, and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court directs the 1st respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 12.06.2026 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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