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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 03-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.K. RAMAKRISHNAN

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S.Priya,
D/o.Subramanian, No.2/290, NPS Colony,
Kumbakudi, Sooriyur Post,
Thiruverumbur Taluk, Trichy - 24.

.. Appellant /
Petitioner

Vs

1. The Government Of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Department of Social Welfare and Nutritious
Noon Meal Scheme,
Fort St. George, Chennai.
2. The Director,
Directorate of Social Welfare,
No.58/70, Arunachala Street,
Adikesavarapuram, Chintadripet,
Chennai - 600 002.
3. The District Collector,
Tiruchirappalli District,
Tiruchirappalli.
4. The Additional Director / Project Director,
District Rural Development Agency,
Tiruchirappalli.
5. The Block Development Officer,
Thiruverambur Panchayat Union,
Thiruverambur,
Tiruchirappalli District.



6. Senthamarai,
W/o.Ganesan, Noon Meal Organizeer,
Panchayat Union Primary School,
Kumbakudi, Sooriyur Post,
Thiruverumbur Taluk, Trichy - 24.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer : Writ appeal filed under Clause 15 of the Letters Patent, to set aside the order dated 25.02.2021 passed in W.P.(MD).No.5144 of 2016 on the file of this Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.Saravanan

For Respondent(s): Mr.P.Rajagopalan,
Government Advocate for R-1 to R-5.

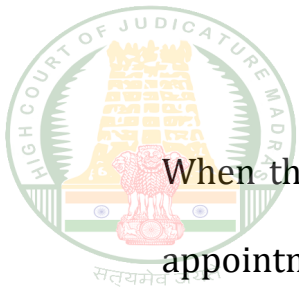
No appearance for R-6.

JUDGMENT

(Judgment of the Court was delivered by G.R.Swaminathan J.)

Heard both sides.

2. This writ appeal is directed against the order dated 25.02.2021 made in W.P.(MD)No.5144 of 2016 filed by the appellant herein. The appellant herein questioned the appointment of the sixth respondent Senthamarai as Noon Meal Organizer in Panchayat Union Primary School, Kumbakudi. The writ petition was filed in the nature of Writ of Mandamus.



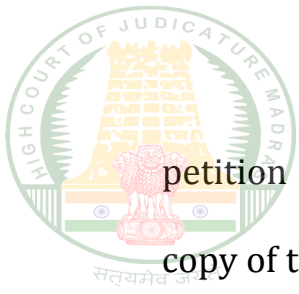
When the matter was taken up for hearing in the year 2021, copy of the appointment order was produced. According to the appellant's counsel, they made a request for adjournment on the ground that they need to amend the writ prayer by formally challenging the appointment. However, according to him, their request was erroneously recorded as if the writ petitioner's counsel sought liberty to file a fresh writ petition. The order dated 25.02.2021 disposing of the writ petition reads as follows:-

“ 4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner seeks liberty to file a fresh writ petition, challenging the appointment order issued in favour of the sixth respondent.

...

6. Considering the limited request made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, grants liberty to the petitioner to file a fresh writ petition, challenging the order of appointment issued in favour of the sixth respondent.”

3. When this order obviously reads like a consent order, this writ appeal is technically not maintainable. It is for the writ petitioner to move the very same learned Judge who fortunately is sitting in the Madurai Bench as of now for recall. With the said observation, we grant liberty to the petitioner to file a review petition / recall petition. If the review / recall



petition is filed within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, it should be numbered by the Registry without reference to limitation and placed before the Hon'ble Judge. This writ appeal stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.

(G.R.S.,J.)

(K.K.R.K.,J.)

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