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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 10.08.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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The Correspondent,
Mar Ephraem College of
Engineering & Technology,
Malankara Hills, Elavuvilai,
Mathandam, Kanyakumari,
Kanyakumari District – 629 171.

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. By its Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.
- 2.The Commissioner of Technical Education,
The Directorate of Technical Education,
Guindu, Chennai – 600 025.
- 3.The Anna University,
Rep. By its Registrar,



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Guindy Campus,
Chennai – 600 025.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to nominate forthwith its nominee for the Academic Council and Board of Studies for the petitioner's Autonomous College by considering the representation dated 29.07.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Ragatheesh Kumar
for M/s.Isaac Chambers
For Respondents 1 & 2 : Mrs.K.R.Shivashankari
Additional Government Pleader
For Respondent No.3 : Mr.S.A.Iniyavan Abdullah
for M/s.Ajmal Associates

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking for a direction to the first respondent to nominate forthwith its nominee for the Academic Council and Board of Studies for the petitioner's Autonomous College by considering the representation dated 29.07.2025.



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2.Learned Counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner college has upgraded its infrastructural and instructional facilities to the level of autonomous college and the college has fulfilled all the requirements prescribed by the University Grants Commission for declaring its status as Autonomous College, except the constitution of the Governing Council. For the constitution of Governing Council, three nominees and one subject expert by the third respondent University and one nominee from the Government of Tamil Nadu is required. In this regard, the petitioner college had sent a representation dated 29.07.2025 to the respondents. Since the said representation is pending consideration, the present Writ Petition has been filed.

3.Learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents 1 & 2 would submit that the representation of the petitioner college would be considered within a stipulated time.

4.Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court, without going into the merits of the matter, directs the respondents to



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consider the representation of the petitioner college dated 29.07.2025 and pass appropriate orders, within a period of eight [8] weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6.Accordingly, the present Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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