

**W.P(MD)No.20392 of 2026**

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED : 17.07.2026**

**CORAM:**

**THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY**

**W.P(MD)No.20392 of 2026**

**M.M.Karthik**

**... Petitioner**

**Vs**

1. The Principal Secretary to Government /  
Commissioner of Food Safety and Drug Administration,  
Tenampet, DMS Campus,  
Chennai - 600 006.

2. The Director,  
O/o. the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine,  
Tenampet, DMS Campus,  
Chennai - 600 006.

**... Respondents**

**PRAYER :** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 03.07.2026 to appoint him as District Designated Officer which comes under the Commissioner of Food Safety Department within the period that may be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.B. Senthilkumar

For R-1 & R-2 : Mr.M.Dinesh Hari Sundarsan  
Counsel for State of Tamil Nadu



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## **ORDER**

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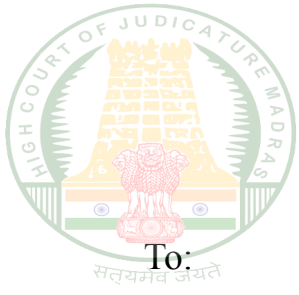
The present Writ Petition has been filed for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 03.07.2026 to appoint him as District Designated Officer which comes under the Commissioner of Food Safety Department within the period that may be stipulated by this Court.

2. This Court without expressing any opinion on merits is directing the official respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 03.07.2026, conduct an enquiry after issuing notice to the petitioner as well as to the rival claimants, if any, affording them an opportunity of personal hearing, and thereafter pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

3. With the above observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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**S.SRIMATHY, J.**

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