

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED:14.06.2016

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE B.RAJENDRAN

W.P.No.19986 of 2016

V.Sankarlingam

.. Petitioner

vs

The Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests, Panagal Buildings
Chennai 600 015.

... Respondent

Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a writ of mandamus to direct the respondent herein to consider and pass orders on the petitioner's representation dated 02.02.2016 to include the petitioner's name in the panel of eligible Forest Ranger fit for promotion as Assistant Conservator Forest for the year 2015-2016 in the appropriate place in accordance with the seniority as maintained till date with all consequential service and monetary benefits.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Dharani

For Respondent : Mr.N.Inbanathan
Government Advocate (Forests)

ORDER

By consent, the writ petition is taken up and disposed of at the admission stage itself.

2. Mr.N.Inbanathan, learned Government Advocate takes notice on behalf of the respondent.

3. The prayer in the writ petition is for the issuance of writ of mandamus to direct the respondent herein to consider and pass orders on the petitioner's representation dated 02.02.2016 by including his name in the panel of eligible Forest Ranger fit for promotion as Assistant Conservator Forest for the year 2015-2016 in the appropriate place in accordance with the seniority as maintained till date with all consequential service and monetary benefits.

4. The case of the petitioner is that he was appointed as a Junior Assistant in the respondent-Department during the year

1982 and that he was promoted to the post of Forester during the year 1991. The grievance of the petitioner is that though he is eligible for promotion to the post of Assistant Conservator of Forests, his name was not included in the panel prepared for the year 2015-2016. Therefore, he has sent a representation to the respondent dated 02.02.2016. Since, no action has been taken by the respondents till date, he is before this Court.

5. The learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the respondent-Department would submit that the respondent has no serious objection for considering the representation of the petitioner, dated 02.02.2016.

6. Taking into consideration of the limited prayer, especially, to consider the representation of the petitioner, this Court without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, directs the respondents to consider the representation submitted by the petitioner dated 02.02.2016 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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

-s/d-
Assistant Registrar

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

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To

The Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests, Panagal Buildings
Chennai 600 015.

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