



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 22.04.2016

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.MANIKUMAR
and
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.S.SUNDAR

W.A.(MD)No.771 of 2016
against

M.P.(MD)No.1 of 2013
and

W.P.(MD)No.7662 of 2013
and

CMP(MD)No.4725 of 2016

1.The State of Tamil Nadu, Rep. by its Secretary,
Department of School Education,
Fort St.George, Chennai 600 009.

2.The Director of Elementary Education,
College Road, Chennai - 600 009.

3.The Chief Educational Officer,
Kanyakumari District at Nagercoil,
Kanyakumari District 629 001.

4.The District Educational Officer, Thuckalay 629 175,
Kanyakumari District.

.. Appellants/Respondents/Respondents

Vs.

The Correspondent,
St. Lawrence Higher Secondary School,
Madathattuvilai, Villukuri Post-629 180,
Kanyakumari District.

.. Respondent/Petitioner

PRAYER: Writ Appeal is filed under Clause XV of Letters of Patent,
against the common order dated 30.04.2013 made in M.P.(MD)No.1 of
2013 in W.P.(MD)No.7662 of 2013.

Prayer in MP(MD). 1/ 2013 in WP(MD).7662/2013 :

To grant an Ad Interim Orders directing the 4th
respondent District Educational officer to approve the appointment
of A. econd District Educational Officer as BT Assistant (History) in the petitioner
school w.e.f. the date of her appointment on 15.09.2011 with all
attendant benefifits within a reasonable time as may be prescribed



by this Honourable Court with a condition that she should pass the Teachers Eligibility Test within 5 years from the date of appointment.

Prayer in WP(MD). 7662/ 2013 :

Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court To issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 4th respondent District Educational officer to approve forthwith the appointment of A. Daisy Francisca as BT Assistant (History) in the petitioner school w.e.f. the date of her appointment on 15.09.2011 with all attendant benefifits including the arrears of salary and allowances.

For Appellants : Mr.VR.Shanmuganathan
Special Government Pleader

For Respondent : Mr.Isaac Mohanlal

JUDGMENT

(Judgment of this Court was delivered by S.MANIKUMAR, J.)

In the present writ appeal, the challenge made is to the order passed by the writ Court, directing the appellants to grant temporary approval for appointment of one A.Daisy Francisca as B.T. Assistant in the respondent school and to pay salary to her from the date of her appointment, till the date of disposal of the writ petition.

2.Learned counsel appearing for the parties in the appeal, have consented that, they are agreeable that the order passed in W.A.(MD) No.220/2016 dated 05.02.2016, be passed in the present appeal also, details of which are given below. Thus, by consent, the present appeal is taken up and disposed of.

3.On an earlier occasion, a similar Writ Appeal (MD) No.220 of 2016, filed by the State, has been considered and disposed of on 05.02.2016 by a Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court, to which, one of us (SMKJ) is a party.

4.Mr.Isaac Mohanlal, learned counsel appearing for the respondent/petitioner has consented for a similar order to be passed.

5.In as much the above learned counsel for the first respondent/writ petitioner has consented for a similar order as made in W.A.(MD) No.220 of 2016, dated 05.02.2016, this Court deem ~~it proper to~~ ^{it proper to} direct the same and dispose of the Writ Appeal on the same lines:



"4. In a similar writ appeal filed by the State in the Principal Bench, a Division Bench of this Court has passed the following order in W.A.No.1299 of 2015, dated 14.09.2015.

4. Be that as it may, the issue as to whether the provisions of the Act, will be applicable to a minority institution, is pending consideration in Aswinithanappan Vs. Director of Education and another - (2014) 8 SCC 272.

5. In view of the above, without going into the merits of the case as to whether a teacher appointed in a minority school is required to have TET qualification, as the same is the subject matter of the Writ petition, we are of the considered view that interest justice would subserve, if the appointment of the first respondent is protected, without giving any direction to the State Government to grant temporary approval.

6. Mr. D. Krishnakumar, learned Special Government Pleader (Education) appearing for the appellants fairly submits that the first respondent shall not be terminated during the pendency of the said writ petition being W.P.No.14072 of 2015.

7. Accordingly, we direct that the first respondent shall be given her salary in the course of her employment and no steps to remove her from service shall be taken till the disposal of the writ petition. However, it is made clear that this order is subject to the final outcome of the pending writ petition. It is further made clear that the first respondent shall not claim any equity on account of this order, without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the parties, therein.

8. This intra-Court appeal is disposed of accordingly. No costs. Connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed."

6. By consent, Writ Appeal is disposed of on the same lines as ordered in W.A.(MD) No.220 of 2016 dated 05.02.2016. Having consented, appellants are directed to comply with the orders. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar (CS-II)

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+1cc to the Special Government Pleader, Sr.No.23453

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