

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.04.2017

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE T.RAJA

W.P.No. 8029 of 2017 & W.M.P. No.8779 of 2017

K. Gowthaman

Petitioner

vs.

1 The State of Tamil Nadu
represented by its Secretary to Government
Education Department
Fort St. George
Chennai 600 009

2 The Director of School Education
D.P.I. Complex
College Road
Nungambakkam
Chennai 600 006

Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to give priority to the petitioner's case before the counselling for the academic year 2017-2018 and transfer the petitioner from Government Boys Higher Secondary School, R.S. Mangalam, Ramanathapuram District to any Government Higher Secondary School at Dharmapuri District as Headmaster based on the petitioner's representation dated 31.08.2016 forthwith.

For petitioner Mr. C. Prabakaran

For respondents Mr. T.M. Pappiah
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

Mr. T.M. Pappiah, learned Special Government Pleader, accepts notice for the respondents. With consent, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2 The petitioner was appointed as P.G. Assistant (Physics) in the Government Higher Secondary School, Morappur, Dharmapuri District on 15.09.1997 and after he completed his probationary period, his service was regularised on 09.11.1999. Thereafter, on the basis of his seniority, he was promoted as Headmaster and appointed in the Government Higher Secondary School, R.S. Mangalam, Ramanathapuram District on 19.12.2015. As he is a resident of Dharmapuri District, finding it very difficult to maintain his family and his old father, he has addressed a representation dated 31.08.2016 to the second respondent requesting to transfer him from Ramanathapuram to Dharmapuri District. Since no orders have been passed on the said representation, he has preferred the instant writ petition seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to give priority to his case before the counselling for the academic year 2017-2018 and transfer him from Government Boys Higher Secondary School, R.S.Mangalam, Ramanathapuram District, to any Government Higher Secondary School at Dharmapuri District as Headmaster, based on his representation dated 31.08.2016, forthwith.

3 Since the petitioner was all along working in Dharmapuri District as P.G. Assistant and only after promotion to the post of Headmaster, he has been transferred to Ramanathapuram District, he has given the aforesaid representation to consider his case for transfer back to his native district.

4 In view of the above factual matrix and considering the limited scope of the relief sought by the petitioner, this Court directs the second respondent to consider and pass orders on the petitioner's representation dated 31.08.2016, on its own merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the above direction, this writ petition stands disposed of. Costs made easy. Connected W.M.P. is closed.

-s/d-

Assistant Registrar(CSV)

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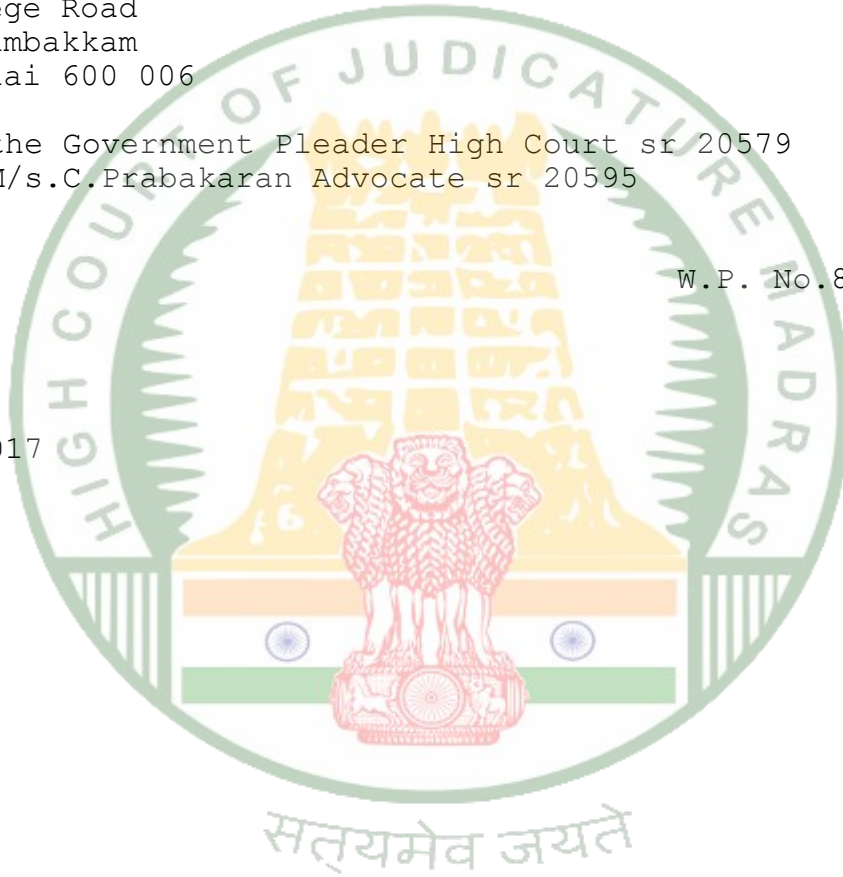
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