

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 13.10.2017

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THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

W.P.No.6735 of 2012

C.Sathish Kumar

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Home Secretary
Secretariat
Fort St.George
Chennai 600 009.

2.The Director General of Police
Tamil Nadu Police Head Quarters
Kamarajar Salai
Chennai 600 005.

3.The Chairman
Tamil Nadu Uniformed Service
Recruitment Board
Chennai 2.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petitions filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to relax the maximum age limit for applying in the forthcoming Police Selection for petitioner who has been affected by the Government circular dated 14.05.2008.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Neelakandan

For Respondents : Mrs.K.Bhuvaneswari
Government Advocate

ORDER

The relief sought for in this writ petition is for a direction to direct the respondents to relax the maximum age limit of the petitioner for applying in the forthcoming Police Selection, which has been effected by the Government Circular dated 14.05.2008.

2. This Court is of the firm opinion that relaxation of age for selection to any post can never be claimed as a matter of right. Relaxation can be granted by the State only to mitigate

the injustice caused if any. The recruitment Rules in force have to be followed strictly while conducting the process of selection by the Competent Authorities.

3. The relief sought for in this writ petition is to relax the age limit fixed by the Competent Authorities in the forthcoming Police Selection. Such, a claim of the writ petitioner cannot be considered. Relaxation of age, educational qualification and other categories for selection is the administrative prerogative power of the employer and the candidates, who have participated in the process of selection cannot claim any relaxation in respect of age or educational qualification or otherwise.

4. The process of selection can be challenged only on limited grounds and a writ petition can be entertained, if there are any irregularities, illegalities and mal-practices found during the conduct of selection process. The judicial review by the Courts in respect of the selection process is limited.

5. Thus, this Court is not inclined to consider the grounds set out in this writ petition in respect of the claim of the writ petitioner seeking age relaxation.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition stands dismissed. However, there shall be no order as to costs.

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