



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 21.02.2018

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

W.P.(MD).No.3571 of 2018

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.3703 of 2018

N.Raja,
Agriculture Officer,
O/o/Assistant Director of Agriculture,
Pesticide Testing Laboratory,
Thondi Road,
Sivagangai.

...Petitioner

Vs.

The Commissioner of Agriculture,
Ezhilagam,
Chepauk,
Chennai-600 005.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records on the file of the respondent in pursuant to the impugned charge memo issued in No.VCS1/139810/05 dated 29.09.2008 and quash the same as illegal and arbitrary and consequently direct the respondent to sanction all service and monetary benefits within the time limit that may be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.G.Thalaimutharasu
For Respondent	:	Mr.J.Gunaseelan Muthaiah Additional Government Pleader

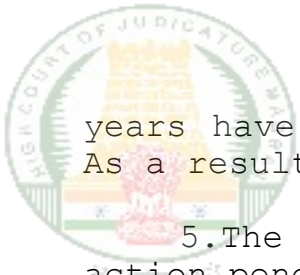
ORDER

Heard Mr.J.Gunaseelan Muthiah, learned Additional Government Pleader, takes notice on behalf of the respondent.

2.By consent of both the parties, the main Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

3.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.

4.The Petitioner is working as Agriculture Officer. He was issued with charge memo dated 29.09.2008. Though, more than nine



years have gone by the disciplinary action is yet to be concluded. As a result, his chances of promotion have been totally stalled.

5.The respondent is not justified in keeping the disciplinary action pending for so long.

6.Therefore, the respondent is directed to conclude the disciplinary action initiated against the petitioner vide charge memo dated 29.09.2008 on or before 31.06.2018.

7.The Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(RTI)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

The Commissioner of Agriculture,
Ezhilagam,
Chepauk,
Chennai-600 005.

+1cc to Mr.G.Thalaimutharasu, Advocate, SR.No.50297

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