



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : **27.04.2019**

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **R.MAHADEVAN****WP(MD)Nos.9185 to 9242, 9363 to 9382,
9548 to 9550, 6654 and 7918 of 2019****and****WMP(MD)Nos.7151 to 7266, 7364 to 7403,
7514 to 7519, 5318, 5319,6263, 6264 of 2019**

A.DEVA JOTHI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9185 OF 2019
P.MUTHURAM	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9186 OF 2019
P.RAJAMANI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9187 OF 2019
R.AMSADEVI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9188 OF 2019
D.ANGAYARKANNI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9189 OF 2019
R.MUNIASAMY	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9190 OF 2019
N.BHARATHI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9191 OF 2019
T.PRIYADHARSINI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9192 OF 2019
J.BEULA JAYAPAL	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9193 OF 2019
S.RUBY VIOLA	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9194 OF 2019
N.KARTHIK	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9195 OF 2019
R.SARAVANAN	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9196 OF 2019
P.MUTHUSELVAM	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9197 OF 2019
B.RAJALAKSHMI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9198 OF 2019
M.SUBATHRA	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9199 OF 2019
P.ANITHA	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9200 OF 2019
R.KAMARAJ	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9201 OF 2019
A.ASARAP ALI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9202 OF 2019
R.PRIYA	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9203 OF 2019
J.PRAVEEN RAJ	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9204 OF 2019
K.KANIMOZHI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9205 OF 2019
V.REVATHI	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9206 OF 2019
A.R.P.RACIKA	... PETITIONER IN WP(MD)NO.9207 OF 2019



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P.KALIRAJ
K.GOVINDARAJ
G.KRISHNAVENI
B.NAGASUNDARAM
V.RENUGADEVI
S.THANVEER
V.LAKSHMI PRABA
S.P.KRISHNAVENI
S.REVATHY
G.ANITHA
A.SHEELA
MANIKANDARAJ.M
M.PARANI SELVI
N.DEVIKA
K.VIJAYALAKSHMI
M.MUTHULAKSHMI
J.SHANMUGAVEL
K.PALANIYAMMAL
G.SUGANYA
R.POOVIZHIRANI
R.GANESHKUMAR
C.ESTHER MARY
S.UMAMAHESWARI
K.SANGEETHA
K.RAMALAKSHMI
K.ARCHANA
G.ARUN
K.S.MAHALAKSHMI
P.KOTTAI SELVAM
P.SATHIYA
K.MEHALA DEVI

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S.KAVITHA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9363 OF 2019
R.JOSEPHIN SUGANTHI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9364 OF 2019
R.TAMILSELVI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9365 OF 2019
A.THANARAJ	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9366 OF 2019
S.EBENCY	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9367 OF 2019
S.PANDI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9368 OF 2019
M.SHILPHA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9369 OF 2019
A.JOTHIPRIYA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9370 OF 2019
R.RAJASEKARAN	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9371 OF 2019
M.VELVIZHI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9372 OF 2019
S.KANNADHASAN	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9373 OF 2019
M.NALLATHANGAL	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9374 OF 2019
K.SATHYA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9375 OF 2019
V.PADMAVATHI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9376 OF 2019
R.PRABU	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9377 OF 2019
M.RATHIKA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9378 OF 2019
S.KARTHIGA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9379 OF 2019
K.RENUGA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9380 OF 2019
D.JEEVAKALAMANI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9381 OF 2019
J.REVATHY	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9382 OF 2019
M.PRABHAKARAN	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9548 OF 2019
S.SARANYA	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9549 OF 2019
R.K.SRINIVASAKI	... PETITIONER IN WP (MD) NO.9550 OF 2019

- 1 R.KARUPPIAH
- 2 K.NAGENDRAN
- 3 J.SHENBAGAPRIYA
- 4 JOSEPHINE SALETH MARY
- 5 I.GOKILA
- 6 S.SIVASANKARI
- 7 I.BENJAMIN BERNATH MARY
- 8 V.LAWRENCE RAJA
- 9 A.GAUTHAMI



10 T.PARAMESHWARI

11 P.RAMACHANDRAN

... PETITIONERS IN WP(MD). 6654/ 2019

PARAMASAMY PANDIAN

... PETITIONER IN WP(MD). 7918/ 2019

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Vs

1 THE STATE OF TAMILNADU,
REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
SECRETARIAT, ST.GEORGE FORT,
CHENNAI-600 009.

2 THE MEMBER SECRETARY,
TAMILNADU STATE COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION,
LADY WILLINGTON COLLEGE CAMPUS, KAMARAJAR
SALAI, TRIPPLICANE, CHENNAI.

3 THE DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL EDUCATION,
DPI CAMPUS, 17, COLLEGE ROAD,
1000 LIGHTS WEST, SUBHAROA AVENUE,
NUNGAMPAKKAM, CHENNAI.

4 THE CHAIRMAN,
TEACHERS RECRUITMENT BOARD,
4TH FLOOR, EVE SAMPATH MALIGAI,
DPI COMPOUND, COLLEGE ROAD,
CHENNAI.

5 THE REGISTRAR,
MADURAI KAMARAJ UNIVERSITY, MADURAI.

6 MEMBER SECRETARY,
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHERS EDUCATION,
WEST BLOCK NO.1, R.K.PURAM,
NEW DELHI-110 001

... RESPONDENTS

in WP(MD)No.9185 TO 9189,9192,9193,9194,9195,
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9219,9221,9222,9223,9224,9225,9226,9227,
9228,9230,9231,9232,9233,9234,9236,
9237,9238,9239,9242,9363,9365,9366,
9367,9368,9370, 9371,9373,9374,9375,
9376,9377,9379, 9380,9381,9382,9548,
9549,9550 of 2019 AND 6654 AND 7918 OF 2019.



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... RESPONDENTS

IN WP (MD) No.9190,9229,9241,9364,9378 of 2019

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NEW DELHI-110 001 .

... RESPONDENTS
IN WP (MD) No.9191, 9199, 9220, 9235, 9240,
9369, 9372, of 2019

COMMON PRAYER: Writ Petitions is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court To issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to issue an equivalence certificate to the effect that M.Sc (Computer Science & Information Technology) Course is equivalent to Masters Degree in Computer Science or Information Technology for the purpose of employment in Direct recruitment for post of Computer Instructors Grade-I (Post Graduate Cadre) called for by 1st respondent in Notification No.9 of 2019 dated 01/03/2019.

For Petitioner in
WP (MD) No.6654 OF 2018 : Mr.A.Sivasumbramaniam

For Petitioners : Mr.K.K.Samy,
in all the Cases

For Respondent : Mrs.S.Srimathy
Nos. 1 to 3 Special Government Pleader

For Respondent : Mr.V.R.Shanmuganathan
No.4

For Respondent : Mr.Ragatheesh Kumar
No.5 for M/s.Isacc Chamber

For Respondent : Mr.Su.Srinivasan
No.6

in all Wps

COMMON ORDER

These writ petitions have been filed seeking for a direction to the respondents to issue Equivalence Certificates to the effect that M.Sc (Computer Science & Information Technology) Course is equivalent to that of Master Degree in Computer Science or Information Technology for the purpose of employment in Direct recruitment for the post of Computer Instructors Grade-I (Post



Graduate Cadre) called for by the first respondent vide Notification No.9 of 2019, dated 01.03.2019.

2.The learned Counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners possess M.Sc., (Computer Science and Information Technology). The first respondent has issued notification calling for applications to fill up the post of Computer Instructors Grade-I (Post Graduate Cadre). However, in the notification, the educational qualification is mentioned as Master Degree in Computer Application / Master Degree in Computer Science or Master Degree in Information Technology and B.Ed. Hence, the petitioners could not apply to the said Post. Therefore, the petitioners are here before this Court with the above said prayer.

3.The learned Counsel for the petitioners contended that the degree in M.Sc., (Computer Science and Information Technology) is equivalent to that of MSc., (Computer Applications), M.Sc., (Computer Science or Information Technology) and the syllabus are one and the same. Hence, they prayed for necessary directions to the respondents.

4.This Court, considering the grievances expressed by the petitioners, by a common order dated 24.04.2019 in WMP(MD)Nos.7151 to 7266, 7364 to 7403 and 7514 to 7519 of 2019 in WP(MD)Nos.9185 to 9242, 9363 to 9382 and 9548 to 9550 of 2019, passed the following interim order:

"Heard the learned Counsel on either side.

2.The learned Counsel for the petitioners submitted that the Teachers Recruitment Board has come forward to accept the applications of the petitioners in WP(MD) Nos.6654 and 7918 of 2019 on or before 26.04.2019, and in this regard a communication dated 16.04.2019 in Na.Ka.No.8019/R4/2017 issued by the Teachers Recruitment Board has also been submitted before this Court. Hence, the learned Counsel prayed that the petitioners in the present writ petitions may also be permitted to submit their applications on or before 26.04.2019.

3.The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the 4th respondent has no serious objection in granting such relief to the petitioners.

4.In view of the above submissions made on either side, the petitioners are permitted to submit their applications manually along with required fee on or before 26.04.2019 by 5.00 pm."



5. The learned Counsel appearing for the respective respondents submitted that in view of the aforesaid interim order, the Equivalence Committee shall be directed to consider the grievances of the petitioners and based on their decision, the petitioners applications shall be processed further.

6. Having regard to the submissions made on either side, the Equivalence Committee is directed to consider the claim of the petitioners and issue necessary certificates, if the petitioners are otherwise found eligible. Such an exercise shall be completed, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. If the Equivalence Committee decides the claim of the petitioners in their favour, the selection process may go on. If the claim of the petitioners are rejected, they shall not claim any equity on those lines and the respondents shall proceed in accordance with law.

7. These writ petitions are disposed of, on the above terms. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To

1. The Principal Secretary,
Department of Education,
Secretariat, St. George Fort, Chennai - 600 009.

2. The Member Secretary,
Tamil Nadu Council for Higher Education,
Lady Wellington College Campus,
Kamarajar Salai,
Triplicane, Chennai.

3. The Director of School Education,
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Nungambakkam, Chennai.



4.The Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board,
4th Floor, EVR Sampath Maaligai,
DPI Compund, College Road, Chennai.

5.The Registrar,
Madurai Kamarajar University,
Madurai.

6.The Registrar,
Alagappa University,
Karaikudi.

7.The Registrar,
Mother Teresa University,
Kodaikanal, Dindigul District.

8.The Member Secretary,
National Council for Teachers Education,
West Block, No.1, R.K.Puram, New Delhi - 110 001.

1CC TO MR K.K. SAMY, ADVOCATE SR 63571

1CC TO MR. A. SIVASUBRAMANIAN,ADVOCATE SR 63714

1CC TO M/S. ISAAC CHAMBERS, ADVOCATE SR 63900

2CC'S TO MR.Su.SRINIVASAN,ADVOCATE SR 63474

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COMMON ORDER MADE IN

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27.04.2019