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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Date : 24.04.2019

CORAM:

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

W.P. (MD) No.9845 of 2019

and

W.M.P. (MD) No.7735 of 2019

The Secretary,
Infant Jesus College of Arts and
Science for Women,
Mulagumoodu - 629 167,
Kanyakumari District.

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
Fort St.George,
Chennai - 600 006.

2.The Director of Collegiate Education,
College Road, Chennai - 600 006.

3.The Joint Commissioner of Collegiate Education,
Tirunelveli Region, Tirunelveli,
Tirunelveli District - 627 007.

4.Manonmaniam Sundaranar University,
Rep. by its Registrar, Abishekapatti,
Tirunelveli, Tirunelveli District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent State Government to recognise the status of the petitioner's college as a Christian Religious Minority Educational Institution by considering the Memorandum dated 17.07.2018 along with the letter dated 06.12.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.J.Shabju Jose

For M/s.Isaac Chambers

For R1 to R3 : Mr.K.Mu.Muthu

Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side. By consent of both parties this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The writ petitioner is an Arts and Science College. It is run by the Congregation of the Missionary Sister of the Immaculate



Heart of Mary (ICM), Tiruchirapalli. It is said to be a registered society under the provision of Tamilnadu Societies Registration Act, 1860. The petitioner has give an application dated 17.07.2018 to the first respondent seeking grant of minority status. The official respondents since asked further particulars from the petitioner, which have also been furnished, therefore there is no justification in keeping the writ petitioner's application pending any further. Therefore, the first respondent is directed to dispose of the petitioner's application dated 17.07.2018 on merits and in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

To:

- 1.The Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
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- +2cc to Mr.M.J.Shabju Jose,Advocate, SR.No.62523,62240
+1cc to Special Government Pleader, SR.No.62450

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