



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 16.08.2021

CORAM:

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

Cont. P (MD) No. 766 of 2021

in

W.P (MD) No. 10015 of 2019

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The Secretary

St. Ignatius College of Education (Autonomous)

Palayamkottai,

Tirunelveli District.

... Petitioner/ Petitioner

Vs.

Apoorva

Secretary to the State of Tamil Nadu,

Department of Higher Education,

Fort St. George,

Chennai-600 006.

... Contemnor/1<sup>st</sup> Respondent

**Prayer:** Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 to punish the respondents herein for her deliberate and willful disobedience of the order of this Court dated 25.04.2019 in Writ Petition (MD) No. 10015 of 2019 under Article 215 of the Constitution of India read with Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971.

Prayer in WP (MD). 10015/ 2019 :

Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st respondent State Govt. to recognising the status of the petitioners college as a Christian Religious Minority Educational Institution by considering the Memorandum dated 18.07.2018 together with the letter dated 24.09.2018.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Ragatheesh Kumar  
for M/s.Isaac Chambers

For Respondent : Mr.R.Ragavendran  
Government Advocate

### O R D E R

Vide order dated 25.04.2019, this Court had directed the Government to pass orders on the petitioner's request for conferment of minority status. Contending that the order passed by this Court has not been complied with, this contempt petition came to be filed.

2.Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate produced a copy of G.O.(Ms)No.154 dated 06.08.2021 and states that the petitioner's request has been



rejected. It is for the petitioner to challenge the said G.O., in the manner known to law. Leaving open the petitioner's right, the contempt petition is closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS-I)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To

The Secretary to the State of Tamil Nadu,  
Department of Higher Education,  
Fort St.George,  
Chennai-600 006.

+1 CC to M/s.ISAAC CHAMBERS, Advocate ( SR-26476[F] dated 17/08/2021 )

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