

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.06.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

W.P.No.20151 of 2014
and M.P.Nos.1 to 3 of 2014

G.Nagarani

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Salem District,
Salem.

2. M.Geetha

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed Under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records of the 1st respondent in connectioin with the impugned order passed in and by his proceedings Na.Ka.No.N1.6/3511/2014 dated 23.07.2014 and quash the same and consequently direct the first respondent herein to allow the petitioner to continue the services of the petitioner as Junior Draughting Officer in the Panchayat Union Sub-divison of Athur, Salem District.

For Petitioner : M/s.Vilasini
for Mr.M.Ravi

For Respondents

R1 : Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal
Additional Government Pleader

R2 : Mr.R.Saseetharan

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The order of transfer transferring the writ petitioner from Junior Draughting Officer to Overseer in proceedings dated 23.07.2014 is under challenge in the present writ petition.

2.The petitioner states that she is a differently abled person assessed to 50% disability. She was initially appointed as Overseer in the Engineering Division of Panchayat Union, Athur, thereafter, she was posted as Junior Draughting Officer

at Athur Sub-division. The District Collector passed the order of transfer in proceedings dated 23.07.2014 transferring the writ petitioner from Athur Sub Division to Panamarathupatti Panchayat Union in the post of Overseer.

3.The learned counsel appearing on behalf of the second respondent brought to the notice of this Court that the Government issued G.O.Ms.No.70 Rural Development [E4] Department dated 20.03.2000 stating that the post of Junior Draughting Officer and Overseer are equivalent post and interchangeable carrying equal scale of pay.

4.Therefore, there is no infirmity in respect of the order of transfer issued by the District Collector which is in consonance with the Government Order. Further, the order of transfer dated 23.07.2014 was issued on administrative grounds which need not be interfered by this Court now after a lapse of about eight years from the date of passing the impugned order of transfer. If at all any grievance exists as of now, the petitioner is at liberty to approach the competent authority for the purpose of redressal of her grievance.

5.With this liberty, the writ petition stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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The District Collector,
Salem District,
Salem.

+1cc to Mr.M.Ravi, Advocate, S.R.No.38705
+1cc to the Government Pleader, S.R.No.39655

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