



W.P.No.2400 of 2018

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17.07.2023

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.SANJAY V.GANGAPURWALA, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.D.AUDIKESSAVALU

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People's Watch
Represented by its Executive Director
Henri Tiphagne
No-32, Besant Road
Chokkikilam
Madurai – 625 002.

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. Principal Secretary to Government
Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal
Programme (SW8) Department
Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.
2. The Commissioner
Social Defence
No-300, Purasaiwakkam High Road
Chennai – 600 010.
3. The Director / Secretary
State Child Protection Society
Department of Social Defence
No.300, Purasawalkam High Road
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4. The Joint Secretary
Integrated Child Protection Scheme
Ministry of Women and Child Development
Government of India, Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi – 110 001.

5. The Chairperson
The Tamil Nadu Commission for
Protection of Child Rights
No-183/1, Periyar EVR Road
Poonamalli High Road
Kilpauk, Chennai – 600 010.

.. Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of certiorarified mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned Government Order passed by the first respondent office vide G.O. (D) No.198 stated 20.09.2017 and G.O. (D) No.199 dated 21.09.2017 and quash the same as illegal and consequently direct the first respondent to appoint District Child Protection Officers in accordance with the guidelines of the Integrated Child Protection Scheme and the recommendations of the juvenile justice Committee of the Hon'ble Madras High Court within a stipulated time that may be fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

For the Petitioner : Ms.Akila.R.S

For the Respondents : Mr.P.Muthukumar
State Government Pleader
assisted by Mrs.R.Anitha
Special Government Pleader



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ORDER

(Made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

We heard Ms.Akila.R.S, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.P.Muthukumar, learned State Government Pleader assisted by Mrs.R.Anitha, learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents.

2. The petitioner is challenging the Government Orders dated 20.09.2017 and 21.09.2017.

3. It is not disputed by learned counsel for the parties that the challenge to the same has become infructuous. It appears that the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 has also undergone further amendments.

4. In the light of the above, the present writ petition is disposed of. The petitioner is at liberty to file a fresh one, if according to the



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petitioner the respondents are not adhering to the provisions of the relevant statute and the Rule. There will be no order as to costs. Consequently, W.M.P.No.2920 of 2018 is closed.

(S.V.G., CJ.)

(P.D.A., J.)

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