



W.P.(MD).No.24520 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 18.10.2023

CORAM :

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

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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Village Administrative Officer's Association
Rep. by its State General Secretary
R.Arul Raj S/o. Rajendran
Having Communication Address at
3/150, Thiruthipatti, Panangudi Post
Karaikudi Taluk, Sivagangai District.

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. The State Rep. by its Chief Secretary
Government of Tamil Nadu
Secretariat, Chennai.
2. The Principal Secretary to Government
Department of Revenue & Disaster Management
Secretariat, Chennai.
3. The Principal Secretary to Government
Department of Personal
& Administrative Reforms
Secretariat, Chennai.

.. Respondents



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Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to initiate proceedings to enact law for the protection of Village Administrative Officers on par with the Medicare Service persons based on the representation dated 02.05.2023 and 16.05.2023.

For the Petitioner : Mr.RM.Arun Swaminathan

For the Respondents : Mr.R.Shunmugasundaram
Advocate General
assisted by Mr.P.Muthukumar
State Government Pleader
and Ms.A.G.Shakeena
for R1 to R3

ORDER

(Made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

Heard Mr.RM.Arun Swaminathan, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.R.Shunmugasundaram, learned Advocate General assisted by Mr.P.Muthukumar, learned State Government Pleader and Ms.A.G.Shakeena, learned counsel for respondents 1 to 3.

2. The petitioner seeks directions against the respondents to enact a law for the protection of Village Administrative Officers on par with the Medicare service persons.



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3. The same would tantamount to a policy decision of the State and it is for the State Legislature to consider the same.

4. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner has given representations on 02.05.2023 and 16.05.2023. In case such representations are pending with the respondents, the respondents may take a decision on the representations, on its own merits and as may be permissible under law, preferably within a period of nine months.

5. In the light of that, the writ petition stands disposed of. There will be no order as to costs.

(S.V.G., CJ.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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