



W.P. No.8907 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.09.2024

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

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S. Karuppaiyah

Petitioner

v

- 1 The State of Tamil Nadu
represented by its Secretary to Government
Environment & Forest Department
Fort St. George, Chennai 600 009
- 2 The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Panagal Building
Saidapet, Chennai 600 015
- 3 The Wild Life Garden
Nagapattinam Wild Life Division
Collectorate Campus
Nagapattinam

Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to regularise the petitioner's service as Forest Watcher on a par with his juniors by implementing the order dated 22.08.2014 within a time frame.

For petitioner Ms. K. Jenitha

For respondents Mr. C. Selvaraj, Addl. Govt. Pleader

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for the issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to regularise the services of the petitioner as Forest

Watcher on a par with his juniors.



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2. Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Additional Government Pleader, by drawing the attention of this Court to paragraphs 6 to 8 of the counter affidavit dated 16.06.2023 filed by the third respondent, submitted that the petitioner's request for regularisation of his services has been considered positively and necessary proceedings dated 17.04.2023 have been issued by the third respondent. Paragraphs 6 to 8 of the counter affidavit which are relevant are extracted below:

“6. It is respectfully submitted that the similarly placed persons including the petitioner filed W.P. No.22784 of 2014. By an order dated 22.08.2014, the Hon'ble Court issued directions to the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioner. Following the Hon'ble Court's directions, the petitioner was regularised on par with his junior in the post of Forest Watcher by Letter No.10640/FR2(II)/2017 – 1 dated 02.03.2018 with effect from 02.02.1995.

7. It is respectfully submitted that the respondent 2 herein in this writ petition has issued instructions vide Ref.No.LL1/29041/2014 dated 03.04.2018 to the respondent 3 herein in this writ petition to implement the Hon'ble Court order. Further the third respondent by proceedings Pro.No.3711/2015E dated 17.04.2023 has fixed the pay of the petitioner on par with the junior with effect from 02.02.1995.

8. Further, it is respectfully submitted that Accountant General (A&E), Tamil Nadu, vide No.AG(A&E)/PEN:1/12126508/2/R2122051/80, dated 01.05.2023 has revised the pension and other benefits. The petitioner has been informed regarding the order by a registered post.”



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3. Recording the aforesaid submission of the learned Additional Government Pleader and the subsequent orders that have been passed regularising the petitioner's services and fixing his pay and also the steps taken to revise his pension and other benefits, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

20.09.2024

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