



W.P.No.17648 of 2020

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24.01.2024

CORAM :

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

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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Dr.R.Murugan

.. Petitioner

VS

- 1.The Government of Tamilnadu,
rep. by Secretary to Government,
Higher Education Department,
Chennai-600 009.
- 2.The University Grant Commission,
rep. by its Member Secretary,
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi-110 002.
- 3.The President,
Pachaippa's Trust Board rep. by Justice P.Shanmugam (Retd.)
Pachaiyappa's College Campus,
Chennai-600 030.
- 4.The Registrar,
University of Madras,
Centenary Building,
Chepauk, Chennai-600 005.



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5.The Registrar,
Thiruvalluvar University,
Vellore.

6.The Director of Collegiate Education,
College Road, Chennai-600 006.

7.The Joint Director of Collegiate Education,
Chennai Region, Chennai-600 015.

8.The Joint Director of Collegiate Education,
Vellore Region, Vellore.

9.Administrative General & Official Trustee,
Interim Administrator of Pachayappas Trust Board,
High Court Campus,
Madras High Court,
Chennai-104.

.. Respondents

[Respondent No.9 impleaded as per the order
dated 21.4.2021]

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus to direct the third respondent to hold selection for the post of 105 Assistant Professors afresh in accordance with the law and restraining the respondents 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 from taking any further or any consequential proceedings in so far as the service matters and administration relating to Pachaiyappa's College and other colleges.



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For the Petitioner : Mr.P.Raja

For the Respondents : Mr.C.Kathiravan
Spl. Government Pleader
for respondent Nos.1, 6 to 8

: Mr.B.Vijay
for respondent No.9

ORDER

(Order of the court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

We have heard Mr.P.Raja, learned counsel for the petitioner; Mr.C.Kathiravan, learned Special Government Pleader for respondent Nos.1, 6 to 8; and, Mr.B.Vijay, learned counsel for respondent No.9.

2. It is submitted that the selection of 105 Assistant Professors is subject matter of challenge in a writ petition and the judgment of the learned Single Judge in the said writ petition is now *sub judice* in W.A.No.2558 of 2022 and another connected appeal.

3. As the issue involved is already *sub judice* in the pending writ



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appeals between the adversarial parties, the present public interest litigation need not be considered on the same issue. As such, the writ petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, W.M.P.No.21891 of 2020 is closed.

(S.V.G., CJ.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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