



W.P(MD)No.26646 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 26.02.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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Vetri Chelvan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Director,
Dr.Ambedkar Foundation
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Government of India
20, K.G, Marg, 9th Floor,
Jeevan Prakash Building,
New Delhi-110001.

2.The District Collector,
District Collector Office,
Ramanathapuram,
Ramanathapuram District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent No.1 to grant the financial assistance a sum of Rs.2,50,000/- (Two Lakhs and Fifty Thousand Rupees) to the petitioner under the Dr. Ambedkar Scheme for Social Integration through Inter-Caste Marriages by considering petitioners application Lr. No.4/17698/2019 within a stipulated time that may be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Karunanidhi

For Respondents : Mr.V.Malaiyendran
for R1

: Mr.A.Kannan
Additional Government Pleader for R2

ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The petitioner belongs to Hindu Devendrakula Velalar (Pallan) Community. It is a notified scheduled caste community. He married one Thamarai Selvi on 20.05.2018. The said Thamarai Selvi belongs to hindu vanniyar community. It is a notified backward community. The marriage was solemnized as per the Hindu religious rites and customs. It was also registered on 24.05.2018. The couple are happily living together as husband and wife. They have been blessed with a male child also. The petitioner applied for financial incentive under Dr.Ambedkar Scheme for social integration through inter caste marriages. The application did not carry the requisite documents. The first respondent Foundation called upon the District Collector, Ramanathapuram for certain clarifications. The District Collector, Ramanathapuram vide letter dated 11.01.2021 sent the certificate sought for by the Foundation. Even thereafter, the financial assistance was not provided. That led to filing of this writ petition.



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3. The learned Central Government Standing Counsel on instructions submitted that since certain document had not been furnished, the financial assistance could not be provided. The second respondent has filed the counter affidavit and the learned Additional Government Pleader took me through its contents. It has been clarified by the second respondent that he had fulfilled all the requirements.

4. I carefully considered the rival contentions and went through the materials on record. The written instructions given to the Central Government Standing Counsel states that the following documents have not been furnished.

“(a) Application Proforma

(b) Caste certificates of the Couple

(c) Marriage Certificate

(d) Religion Certificate-in case marriage is registered other than Hindu Marriage Act 1955 (Annexure-1 of the scheme).

(e) First Marriage Affidavit of the Couple.

(f) Recommendation letter from sitting MP/MLA.

(g) Recommendation letter from District Magistrate/District Collector.

(h) Aadhar card of the couple duly signed.



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respondent is directed to process the application and disburse the financial assistance as envisaged by the scheme. The said amount shall be credited to the joint account of the petitioner and his wife. This shall be done within a period of ten weeks after receipt of the representation from the petitioner herein.

6. The Writ Petition is allowed on these terms. No costs.

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G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.



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