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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03.03.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE C.V.KARTHIKEYAN

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R.Kuzhandaivel

... Petitioner

-Versus-

1.The Director of Town Panchayats,
Directorate of Town Panchayats,
Chennai – 600 028.

2.The District Collector,
Cuddalore District.

3.The Joint Director of Town Panchayats,
Directorate of Town Panchayats,
Chennai – 600 028.

4.The Assistant Director of Town Panchayats,
Cuddalore Region,
Cuddalore District.

5.The Executive Officer,
Srimushnam Town Panchayat,
Srimushnam Kattumannarkoil Taluk,
Cuddalore District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking Writ of Mandamus to direct the fourth respondent to promote the petitioner based on the integrated seniority list of the last grade servants of



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Town Panchayats in Cuddalore District as per the 20% reservation provided in G.O.Ms.No.150 Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department dated 19.08.1998 by taking action to the letter sent by the third respondent in his proceedings No.16223/2024/A3 dated 21.12.2024.

For Petitioner : *Ms.T.Divya*
For Respondents : *Mr.S.Yashwanth,*
1 to 4 *Additional Government Pleader*
For Respondent 5 : *Mr.K.Suresh,*
Government Advocate

ORDER

The writ petition has been filed in the nature of mandamus seeking a direction against the fourth respondent to promote the petitioner on the basis of the integrated seniority list of the last grade servants of Town Panchayats in Cuddalore District in accordance with the reservation as provided in G.O.Ms.No.150, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department dated 19.08.1998.

2. The petitioner placed reliance on the proceedings of the third respondent dated 21.12.2024 in No.16223/2024/A3.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner pointed out that the petitioner had joined as Office Assistant by transfer of service by order dated 11.04.1994. He was then posted as Office Assistant in Srimushnam Town Panchayat. He had been discharging his duty till this date. In the integrated seniority list, his



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seniority is placed at No.1.

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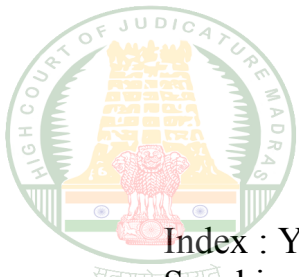
4. This information is also concurred by the respondents. It is directed that the petitioner should therefore be considered for promotion, if he is otherwise eligible in accordance with the stipulations given in G.O.Ms.No.150, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department dated 19.08.1998. The respondents have also forwarded their instructions. Consequent to the recommendation of the name of the petitioner, the Government has forwarded the name of the petitioner to the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commissioner for appropriate concurrence and once that concurrence is received, necessary orders would be passed.

5. Taking all factors into consideration, a mandamus is issued to the fourth respondent to pass appropriate orders within a period of ten working days from date on which concurrence from the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission is forwarded to the Government, consequent to the fact that the Government had sought such concurrence from the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.

6. This writ petition is disposed of. No costs

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