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W.P.No.9552 of 2023 etc.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

W.P.Nos.9552, 9561, 9567, 9571 & 9577 of 2023

and

W.M.P.Nos.9605, 9607, 9608, 9609, 9611, 9612,
9615, 9617, 9622 & 9623 of 2025

Elamparithi	... Petitioner in W.P. No.9552 of 2023
R.Govindasamy	... Petitioner in W.P. No.9561 of 2023
Meeradevi	... Petitioner in W.P. No.9567 of 2023
U.T.Anandarajan	... Petitioner in W.P. No.9571 of 2023
R.Arumugam	... Petitioner in W.P. No.9577 of 2023

Vs.

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Principal Secretary to
Government,
Higher Education Department,
Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.

2. The Vice Chancellor,
Periyar University,
Periyar Palkalai Nagar,
Salem – 636 011.



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3. The Registrar,
Periyar University,
Periyar Palakalai Nagar,
Salem – 636 011.

... Respondents in
all W.Ps.

Common Prayer: Writ Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, calling for records with respect of the impugned order passed by the third respondent herein dated 17.03.2023 in his proceedings in PU/R/R6/003820/23F71231/2023- 1 to 5 respectively, and quash the same.

In all W.Ps.

For Petitioner : Mr. G.Sankaran, Senior Counsel
For Mr.S.Bharathirajan

For Respondents
For R1 : Mr.M.R.Gokulkrishnan
Additional Government Pleader
For R2 & R3 : Mr.P.Godsonswaminath
For M/s.Isaac Chambers

COMMON ORDER

All the Writ Petitions have been filed challenging the order passed by the third respondent dated 17.03.2023, thereby cancelling the promotions which were already granted to the petitioners and also revised the scale of pay.



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2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials placed before this Court.

3. The similar issue has already been dealt with by this Court in a Writ Petition in W.P.No.44328 of 2025, by an order dated 14.11.2025 and the relevant portion is extracted hereunder:-

“11. Thus, it is clear that the Audit Department cannot interfere with the decision of the third respondent to grant promotions. After functioning in all the promotional post, the petitioner is now being sought to be recovered, that too, at the verge of his retirement. Further, the petitioner has not been promoted on his false representation or any misrepresentation.

12. In view of the above, the order passed by the third respondent dated 31.05.2024 cannot be sustained and deserves to be quashed and accordingly, stands quashed. The third respondent is directed to allow the petitioner to retire from service on attainment of his superannuation, that is, on 31.05.2024 and disburse all the service and terminal benefits forthwith. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. There shall be no order as to costs.”



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4. In view of the above order, the impugned orders dated 17.03.2023 passed by the third respondent are hereby quashed. Accordingly, all the Writ Petitions stand allowed. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Index : Yes/No
Neutral citation : Yes/No
Speaking/non-speaking order

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