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W.P.No.23048 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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and WMP.No.44802 of 2025

Tamil Nadu Govt. Ration Shop employees Union
rep. By its State General Secretary P.Dineshkumar,
H.O.No.Annadurai Street, Anakaputtur,
Chennai-600 070.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.Union of India

rep. By the Secretary,
Dept. of Consumer Affairs,
Food & Public Distribution,
R.No.546C, Krishi Bhavan,
New Delhi-110 001.

2.The Principal Secretary,

Dept. of Co-operation, Food & Consumer Protection,
St. George Fort, Secretariat,
Chennai-600 009.

3.The Managing Director,

Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation,
Administrative Building, Metrorail Ltd., (CMRL),
Poonamallee Highway, Chennai-107.

4.The Registrar of Co-operative Societies,

O/o.The Registrar of Co-operative Societies,
170, EVR Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-1.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India,

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praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 to 4 to consider the petitioner union representation dated 26.05.2025 and make arrangement to weigh the inward movement of commodities at all the Fair Price Shops in Tamil Nadu and upload the total weight of commodities so arrived in the Point of Sales (PoS) as part of end to end computerisation of Public Distribution System as envisaged by the Central Government of India.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Pushpakaran

For Respondent : Mr.G.Mutharasu
No.1

For Respondent : Ms.M.GeethaThamari Selvam, SGP
No.2 & 4

For Respondent : No Appearance
No.3

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents 2 to 4 to consider the petitioner's Union representation dated 26.05.2025 and to make arrangement to weigh the inward movement of commodities at all the Fair Price Shops in Tamil Nadu and upload the total weight of commodities so arrived in the Point of Sales (PoS) as part of end to end computerization of Public Distribution System as envisaged by the Central Government of India.



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2. Heard both sides.

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3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is a registered Union representing the employees of the Ration shops functioning under various Co-operative Societies. He continued that the first respondent issued instructions vide Government Letter dated 28.01.2025 regarding end to end computerization of Public Distribution System and in pursuant to that, electronic sale has been integrated with Point of Sales (PoS) in all Fair Price Shops, however, there is no machine to weigh inward movement of commodities from the godown to the Fair Price Shops, thereby the petitioner made a representation dated 02.05.2025 in this regard for weighing the commodities and the same should be entered into the Point of Sales as to effectively address the underweight supply and thereby save the employees from penalizing for maintaining deficit stock which caused mainly due to underweight supply. Thus, he prayed to grant the relief as sought for by the petitioner in the present Writ Petition.

4. Per contra, the learned Special Government Pleader submitted that the first respondent has already passed a circular and as per the direction of the Central Government, the grievance of the petitioner has already been addressed, however, she submitted that the petitioner's representation will be



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considered, if not implemented.

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5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also by taking note of the submissions made by the respective learned counsels, this Court directs the second respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 26.05.2025 and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, if the grievance of the petitioner is not addressed so far, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The respondent shall communicate the same to the petitioner,

6. With the above directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed. There shall be no orders as to costs.

Sd/-

17.11.2025

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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