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W.P.No.22014 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 20.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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and

W.M.P.Nos.24746 and 24748 of 2025

Dr.Ambedhkar Madras Port Trust &
Dock Labour Board Employees Union,
Represented by its General Secretary
A.Kannabiran,
AP.261, 11th East Cross Street, M.K.B Nagar,
Chennai – 600 039.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Chairman,
Chennai Port Trust,
Chennai.
2. The Traffic Manager,
Chennai Port Trust,
Chennai – 600 001.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
praying to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the second
respondent's notification No.A2/0711/2024/T dated 26.05.2025 and quash
the same and further direct the respondents to appoint the already selected



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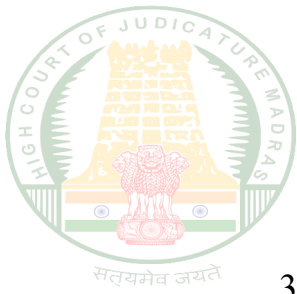
and wait listed candidates as per the notification No.A2/413/2018/T dated 31.07.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Gopinathan
For Respondents : No appearance

ORDER

The instant writ petition has been filed challenging the order dated 26.05.2025 passed by the second respondent.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that though the second respondent had recruited candidates, vide notification dated 16.02.2023, still there are wait list candidates who are yet to be considered for appointment. But without appointing the wait list candidates, the second respondent issued another impugned notification in contravention to law and procedure. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner, the wait list candidates of the previous notification had to be given appointment first before going for fresh recruitment. Therefore, contended that unless the wait listed candidates are given appointments, the second respondent cannot have any fresh recruitment.



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3. Though the submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner appears to be attractive, it is a well-settled principle of law that whenever a fresh notification is issued, the wait list automatically get lapsed. Apart from that, keeping a wait list for more than three years would also be an anathema to the appointment proceedings. Hence, this Court does not find any merit in the present writ petition.

4. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed. No costs.

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Index : Yes/No

Speaking order /Non Speaking Order

Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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