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W.P.No.26420 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 22.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Josephine Anna Belle Oakey

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Secretary,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009
- 2.The Department of School Education
Represented by the Secretary-
The Principal of the School Education,
Tamil Nadu having address at
17, College Road, Subba Road Avenue,
Nungambakkam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600008.
- 3.The Directorate of Government Examinations,
DPI Campus, College Road,
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006.
- 4.The Secretary,
Directorate of College Education,
577, Anna Salai,
Saidapet,
Chennai,
Tamil Nadu: 600015.

... Respondents



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Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to alter the date of birth of the petitioner as 24.06.1974 in the petitioner's SSLC Certificate, 12th Mark School Certificate and college degree certificate.

For Petitioner : M/s.Ambili Menon P

For R1 to R3 : Mrs.S.Mythreye Chandru
Special Government Pleader

For R4 : Mr.C.Jayaprakash
Government Advocate

ORDER

By consent of both the learned counsel for the parties, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal, at the admission stage itself.

2. The instant writ petition has been filed with a prayer for issuing a Mandamus, directing the respondent to alter the date of birth of the petitioner as 24.06.1974 in the petitioner's SSLC Certificate, 12th Mark School Certificate and college degree certificate.



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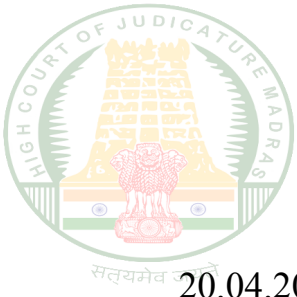
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3. Heard the learned counsel for both sides and perused the materials available on record.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner born on 24.06.1974. However, while admitting her in the School, her date of birth was wrongly given as 24.06.1975. According to the petitioner, it is a parental error. Hence, she has sent representations on 04.04.2025 and 20.04.2025 to the 4th respondent and 2nd respondent respectively, to correct the petitioner's date of birth in all her educational credentials and such representations are pending with them.

5. At this juncture, the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 3 would submit that they will consider the petitioner's representations according to its own merits and in accordance with law, within a reasonable time.

6. In such view of the submission, without going into the merits of the writ petition, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondents to consider the petitioner's above representations dated 04.04.2025 and



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20.04.2025 and pass orders on it's own merits and in accordance with law,
within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

7. With the above direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Speaking order /Non Speaking Order
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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C.KUMARAPPAN, J.

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