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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

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1. T.V.Ramalakshmi,
W/o. K.V.Krishnamoorthy, No.49/
11/95, Jeevan Beem Nagar 1st Floor,
Anna Nagar West Extension,
Chennai 101.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Dr.B.Chandramohan, IAS.,
Principal Secretary to Government,
School Education Department,
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.
2.Tmt. N.Latha,
Director of Government Examination,
Directorate of Government
Examinations, College Road, Chennai
600 006.
3.Tmt. K.Latha,
Deputy Director (Administration) of
Government Examinations, Directorate
of Government Examinations, College
Road, Chennai 600 006.

Contemnor(s)



PRAYER

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This petition has been filed seeking to punish the respondents for their willful disobedience of this Court Order in W.P.No. 30527 of 2024, dated 30.10.2024.

For Petitioner :Mr.S.N.Ravichandran for
Mr.K.Arumugam

For Contemnor(s): Mrs.R.Rajarajeswari, GA

ORDER

This petition has been filed seeking to punish the respondents for their willful disobedience of the order of this Court passed in W.P.No.30527 of 2024, dated 30.10.2024.

2.This Contempt Petition can be disposed of in-line with the order passed in Cont.P No.1708 of 2025 etc., batch dated 25.08.2025. The relevant portions are extracted hereunder:

"4. It is true that while the writ petitions were disposed of by this Court, a direction was issued to the respondents to regularize the services and to grant all the monetary benefits. The regularization has taken place by virtue of the relaxation of



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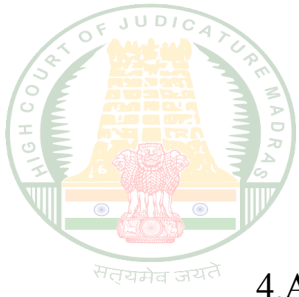


the rules. Insofar as the monetary benefits are concerned, it is now under controversy as to whether they have to be given from the date of retirement or they have to be given only from the date of issuance of the Government Order.

5. The learned counsel for petitioners submitted that the operation of the Government Order prospectively will apply to the in-service candidates. However, when it comes to retired persons, it has to be necessarily applied from the date of their retirement, failing which they will not get any benefits.

6. Considering the limited scope of the contempt jurisdiction and also taking note of the fact that if any direction is given to the respondents to pay the monetary benefits from the date of retirement, it will tantamount to watering down the Government Order, it will be more appropriate for the petitioners to question the Government Order in the manner known to law. Except giving this liberty, no further orders can be passed in these contempt petitions. Accordingly, all these contempt petitions are closed".

3. In view of the above, liberty is granted to the petitioner to challenge the Government Order in the manner known to law.



4. Accordingly, this Contempt Petition is closed.

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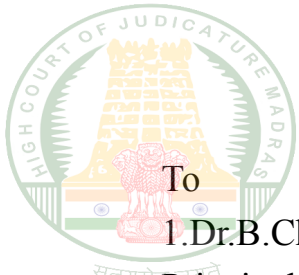
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To

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