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W.P.No.27885 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
DATED :30.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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Dr.Bestley Joe.S

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Deputy Director,
PGR Cell,
AICTE Headquarters,
Nelson Mandela Marg,
Vasant Kunj,
New Delhi - 110070.

2.The Director,
Centre for Affiliation of Institutions,
Anna University,
Guindy,
Chennai - 600 025.

3.The Secretary,
Department of Administrative Reforms
and Public Grievances,
514, Fifth Floor, Sardar Patel Bhavan,
New Delhi-110001.

4.The Principal,
Kings Engineering College,
Irungattukottai,
Sriperumbudur,
Chennai - 602 117.



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5. The Administrative Officer,
Kings Engineering College,
Irungattukottai,
Sriperumbudur,
Chennai - 602 117.

6. The Accountant,
Kings Engineering College,
Irungattukottai,
Sriperumbudur,
Chennai - 602 117.

.....Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 4th respondent to dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 21.06.2025 within a reasonable period as may be fixed by this Court and further direct the 4th respondent to refund a sum of Rs.1,74,000/- along with interest from 04.01.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Sam Japa Singh

For Respondents : No appearance

ORDER

The instant writ petition has been filed to direct the 4th respondent to dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 21.06.2025, claiming three(3) months' salary from the 4th respondent.

2. It is well settled principle of law that a writ petition is maintainable even against the private Educational institutions only when the same relates to any public duty, as per the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the



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case of *St.Marys Education Society and another vs. Rajendra Prasad Bhargava* and others reported in (2023) 4 SCC 498, wherein it has been categorically held that the contractual relationship between an employee and his employer of an Educational Institution cannot be adjudicated before the Writ Court.

3. Therefore, this Court is of the firm view that this writ petition is not maintainable under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, as against the fourth respondent, against whom the relief sought for.

4. In the result, this writ petition is dismissed. No costs.

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Index : Yes/No

Speaking order /Non Speaking Order

Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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