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W.P.No.27845 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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R.Sampath

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Government of Tamil Nadu,
Rep.by its Additional Chief Secretary to
Government,
Environment, Climate change and Forest
Department,
Fort St.George, Chennai - 600 009.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest force),
Chennai - 600 032.
3. The Deputy Conservator of Forest,
State Forest Research Division,
Chennai - 600 127.
4. The Accountant General of Tamil Nadu,
Office of the Accountant General (A&E),
Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, seeking for an issuance of writ of mandamus, to direct the respondents 1 to 3 to count half of service rendered by petitioner as Plot Watcher on daily wage basis from 01.10.1980 till 06.08.2009 along with regular service from 07.08.2009 (supernumerary post) and from 18.02.2014 Regular post as Mali)



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till the date of his retirement on 30.11.2024 and regularise his service by relaxing the rules from date of initial appointment on the basis of similar and juniors persons seniority in the light of the order made in G.O.(2D).No.33, Environment, Climate change and Forest (FRII) Department dated 03.03.2025 for confer all consequential retirement and pensionary benefits to the petitioner and the same was sent a proposal to the 4th respondent and grant such other relief.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ganapathy

For Respondents : Mr.C.Selvaraj

Additional Government Pleader for R1 to R3

: M/s.G.Vardhin Karthik

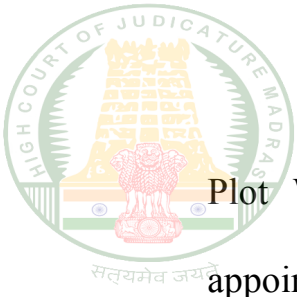
Standing Counsel for R4 for A/G

ORDER

By consent, the writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The writ petition is filed seeking a direction to the respondents to settle the terminal benefits to the petitioner, by regularising the service rendered by him in the post of Plot Watcher and also the service rendered by him in the regular post as Mali, in the light of the order made in G.O.(2D).No.33, Environment, Climate change and Forest (FRII) Department dated 03.03.2025

3. The case of the petitioner is that, he was initially appointed as



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Plot Watcher on 01.04.1980 on daily wage basis. Thereafter, he was appointed as Mali in the regular post *vide* proceedings dated 18.02.2014. After rendering unblemished service, he retired from service on 30.11.2024. Thereafter, the petitioner has sent representation to the respondents dated 30.11.2024, seeking settlement of monetary benefits. However, no action has been taken. Aggrieved by which, the petitioner has again sent representation to the 1st and 2nd respondent through his Advocate dated 18.06.2025, and the same is yet to be considered. Hence seeking for a mandamus, the petitioner has come before this Court.

4. Learned Additional Government Pleader would fairly submit that the petitioner's representation will be considered within a reasonable time.

5. Heard the learned Counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. In view of the fair submission made by the learned Additional



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Government Pleader, without going into the merits of the matter, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondents to consider the abovesaid representation of the petitioner and pass orders on it's own merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

In the result, the Writ Petition is disposed of with the above direction.

No costs.

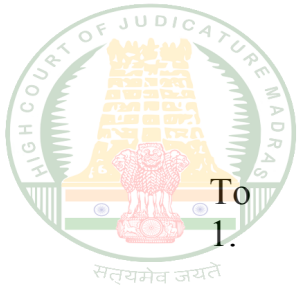
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