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W.A.No.2537 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.11.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

and

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

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M.Prabakaran

... Appellant

Vs.

1.The Member Secretary
Tamil Nadu Uniform Services
Recruitment Board
Old Commissioner of Police Office Campus
Pantheon Road, Egmore
Chennai 600 008

2.The Director General of Police
Law and Order, Tamil Nadu
Dr.Radhakrishnan Salai
Mylapore, Chennai 600 004

3.The Superintendent of Police
Kancheepuram District
Kancheepuram

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, praying to set aside the order passed in W.P.No.16674 of 2020 dated 27.07.2022 and allow the said Writ Petition.



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For Appellant : Mr.R.Jayaprakash
For Respondents : Mr.P.Kumaresan
Additional Advocate General
Assisted by Mr.UM.Ravichandran
Special Government Pleader

JUDGMENT

M.S.RAMESH, J.
and
R.SAKTHIVEL, J.

Admittedly, the appellant herein was arrayed as an accused in a criminal case in S.C.No.94 of 2013, which was pending trial, when he had applied for the post of Grade II – Police Constable / Grade II – Jail Warden / Fireman, under the Notification No.1 of 2019, dated 06.03.2019. It is also not in dispute that while submitting the application, the appellant had not disclosed the pendency of this criminal case in his application. The instructions to the candidates in the said recruitment notification has clearly stated that the candidates are required to set forth the details of all the criminal cases, if any, in the concerned column. However, the appellant had concealed the criminal case which becomes a disqualification, and therefore, the non consideration of his candidature cannot be found fault with.



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2.In a recent decision rendered by this Court in ***E.Veeran V. The State of Tamil Nadu, Home Department and others*** in W.A.No.2671 of 2022 dated 02.09.2025, we had considered a similar situation and dismissed the case of the candidate in the following manner:

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4.We are not in agreement with the submission of the learned counsel for the appellant. The essential requirements under Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board notification for eligibility in a selection process is that, on the date of the recruitment notification, the candidate must not be involved himself in any criminal case. Admittedly, he was arrayed as an accused in F.I.R.No.965 of 2012, and his name came to be dropped in the final report, which knowledge he acquired on 19.02.2019.”

3.The only contention of the learned counsel for the appellant is that the appellant was subsequently acquitted from the criminal charges in the year 2022. If that is the case, that would qualify him to participate



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in the subsequent selection process only, and that cannot be a ground for his consideration in the recruitment process under Notification No.1 of 2019.

4.In this background, we do not find any grounds to interfere with the order passed in the Writ Petition, and accordingly the above Writ Appeal stands dismissed. No costs.

[M.S.R, J.]

[R.S.V, J.]

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