



W.P.Nos.32721 & 32722 of 2019

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.03.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R.N.MANJULA

W.P.Nos.32721 & 32722 of 2019 and
W.M.P.Nos.33143 & 33138 of 2019

1.R.Vanitha ... Petitioner in W.P.No.32721 of 2019
2.R.Visalakshi ... Petitioner in W.P.No.32722 of 2019

Vs.

1.The Chairman,
Teachers Recruitment Board,
4th Floor, EVK Sampath Maligai,
College Road, Chennai 600 006.

2.The Secretary,
School Education Department,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Fort St.George, Chennai 600 009.

3.The Director,
Department of Government Examination,
College Road,
Chennai 600 006.

... Respondents in both W.Ps

Prayer in both W.Ps: Writ Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to include the petitioners in the selection list for the post of Drawing Teacher in the quota reserved for PSTM candidates considering the declaration made by the petitioners in the Online Application Nos.721968 and 721877 respectively and call for the petitioners for



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certificate verification and consequently, to give appointment order to the petitioners to join in any one of the Government School functioning under the control of the 2nd respondent.

In both W.Ps

For Petitioners : Mr.S.Arockia Maniraj

For Respondents : Mr.C.Kathirvel, Standing Counsel for R1
Mrs.P.Rajarajeswari, GA for R2 & R3

COMMON ORDER

These Writ Petitions have been filed to direct the respondents to include the petitioners in the selection list for the post of Drawing Teacher in the quota reserved for PSTM candidates considering the declaration made by the petitioners in the Online Application Nos.721968 and 721877 respectively and call for the petitioners for certificate verification and consequently, to give appointment order to the petitioners to join in any one of the Government School functioning under the control of the 2nd respondent.

2. Heard Mr.S.Arockia Maniraj, learned counsel for the petitioners, Mr.C.Kathirvel, learned Standing Counsel for R1, Mrs.P.Rajarajeswari, learned Government Advocate for R2 & R3 and perused the materials available on record.



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3. The petitioners have applied to the post of Special Teachers (Drawing) in response to the notification of the first respondent dated 26.07.2017 through notification No.05/2017.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have studied in Tamil medium and have obtained 50 & 48 marks respectively in the recruitment examination conducted by the first respondent. The petitioners have got PSTM certificate in S.S.L.C., Higher Secondary course and Technical Training Certificate. As the petitioners have not been called for certificate verification, they have filed these writ petitions seeking direction against the first respondent.

5. It is further submitted that earlier a Writ Petition was filed in W.P.No.28458 of 2018 (batch) by the persons who are in possession of PSTM certificate and in which orders have been passed to consider their candidature. So the petitioners have requested to pass the similar order by giving benefit of the earlier orders passed in that writ petition.



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6. The learned Standing Counsel for the first respondent submitted that the Board has called the candidates for certificate verification who have secured upto 57 marks, but the petitioners have secured only 50 & 48 marks and hence they have not been selected. As the petitioners have not produced the certificate for having studied 10th and 12th standard in Tamil medium to show that they had studied the whole of school education in Tamil medium, they could not be called for certificate verification under PSTM category.

7. However, the learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have produced the certificate for having studied in Tamil medium, but still the same has not been considered.

8. The petitioners are said to have given representation in this regard and on which, the respondents have not passed any order. The petitioners have produced the certificate for showing that they would come under the PSTM category as prescribed and they were even called for certificate verification, but so far appointment order has not been



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issued. The only answer given by the first respondent is that the petitioners have not reached the zone of consideration as their cut-off mark was below than the cut-off mark fixed for the post reserved under PSTM category. However, no orders have been passed so far.

9. It is now learnt that the petitioners are said to have given a fresh representation in this regard to the respondents on 08.02.2025.

10. Hence, this Writ Petition is disposed and the respondents are directed to consider the representation of the petitioners dated 08.02.2025 and pass orders on merits and in accordance with law within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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