



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 19.09.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA**

W.P.No.35448 of 2025

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... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Head Master,
Panchayat Union Middle School,
Nadappanahalli, Indur, Dharmapuri.
2. The District Educational Officer,
Office of the District Educational Officer,
Dharmapuri – 638 501.
3. The Assistant Educational Officer,
Office of the District Educational Officer,
Collectorate, Salem Main Road,
Dharmapuri – 636 705.
4. The Chief Educational Officer,
The Office of the District Collectorate,
Dharmapuri – 636 705.
5. The Accountant General (A&E),
Office of the Principal Accountant
General (A&E), Tamil Nadu,
No.361, Anna Salai, Chennai – 600 018.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for



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issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to release the retirement benefits of the petitioner from the date of retirement and pass orders.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Balamurugan
For Respondents : Mrs.S.Mythreye Chandru
Special Government Pleader (E)
for R1 to R4

Mr.T.Ravikumar
Standing Counsel for R5

ORDER

Mrs.S.Mythreye Chandru, learned Special Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of the Respondents 1 to 4 and Mr.T.Ravikumar, learned Standing Counsel accepts notice on behalf of the fifth respondent. With consent of the learned counsel on either side, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal.

2. This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to release the retirement benefits of the petitioner from the date of retirement.



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3. The case of the petitioner is that she is a retired BT Assistant, who, prior to her retirement, received a legal notice from one Mr.Jahir Basha, alleging that she had availed a personal loan from him and had issued a postdated cheque which was subsequently dishonoured due to insufficient funds. Subsequently, proceedings under section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act were initiated against her before the Judicial Magistrate Court, Dharmapuri. During the pendency of the said case, the retirement benefits of the petitioner were not disbursed. Therefore, the petitioner submitted a representation dated 23.08.2025 to the second respondent seeking release of her retirement benefits. However, the same was ignored by the first respondent. Hence, the present petition has been filed for the aforesaid relief.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 4 and the learned Standing Counsel for the fifth respondent.

5. Though several grounds have been raised by the petitioner, this Court finds it appropriate to issue a direction, without going into the merits of



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the case, to the fourth respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 23.08.2025 and pass orders, on its own merits, in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is also made clear that this Court has not made any observation with regard to the merits of the petitioner's claim.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

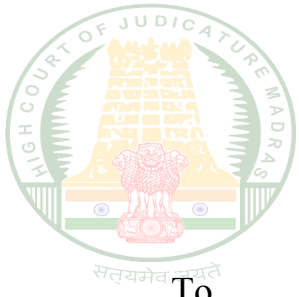
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Speaking Order/Non-speaking order



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