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W.P. No.37990 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09.10.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D. JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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A. Karpagam

... Petitioner

vs.

1. The Director of Town Panchayat,
Kuralagam, Chennai - 600 108.

2. The District Collector,
Salem.

3. The Commissioner,
Panchayat Union,
Yercaud, Salem District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue Writ of Mandamus, direct the Respondents to dispose of the Petitioner's representation dated 12.08.2024 and appoint the petitioner's eligibility for any suitable last grade post in the local body as ordered by the Hon'ble High Court on 18.03.2024.

For petitioner : Mr.S. Ilamvaludhi

For respondents : Mr.C. Selvaraj

Addl. Govt. Pleader for R1

Mr. Yogesh Kannadasan



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Spl. Govt. Pleader for R2

Ms.Indhu Bala

Addl. Govt. Pleader for R3

ORDER

Mr.C. Selvaraj, learned Additional Government Pleader, takes notice for the 1st respondent; Mr.Yogesh Kannadasan, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for 2nd respondent and Ms.Indhu Bala, learned Additional Government Pleader, takes notice for the 3rd respondent. By consent of both the parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The relief sought in this writ petition is a direction to the respondents to dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 12.08.2024 and appoint her in any suitable last grade post as per the directions issued by this Court, earlier on 18.03.2024 in Cont. Rev. P. No.1121 of 2023 and Rev. Appln.(W) No.43 of 2024.



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3. Short facts leading to the filing of this writ petition are as follows :-

a) The petitioner was appointed as a Temporary Gardener in the Special Grade Yercaud Panchayat in the year 1995. During the year 1997, her name was erroneously entered as Typist in the muster roll and hence, her services were ousted on the ground that there was no sanctioned post available in the said category. However, similarly placed persons, who were appointed along with her, were allowed to continue in service.

b) After several legal battles, she was appointed as Mazdoor (NMR), and thereafter, she submitted a representation requesting that she may be considered for any suitable post, since the post of Dengue Mazdoor does not fall under the last grade category and she may be posted within the place of Yercaud Panchayat Union. Ventilating all her grievances, she submitted a representation to the 2nd respondent on 12.08.2024. As the said representation was not considered by the respondents, till date, the petitioner has filed this writ petition with the aforesaid prayer.



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4. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner was ousted from service due to a clerical mistake in the muster roll, for which, she cannot be put to hardship. He would further submit that similarly placed persons, who were appointed along with the petitioner, were allowed to continue and have been regularised, whereas, the petitioner alone has been denied employment. Therefore, he submitted that some consideration may be shown on the petitioner on a par with similarly placed persons and therefore, it would suffice, if a direction is issued to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 12.08.2024, based on the earlier orders passed by this Court in the above regard, within a time frame.

5. Learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the 2nd respondent submitted that the petitioner was appointed for a specific work on temporary basis and therefore, she cannot claim regularisation as a matter of right comparing herself with others, who were appointed on regular basis. However,



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he fairly submitted that the petitioner's representation dated 12.08.2024 will be

considered by the 2nd respondent on merits and in accordance with law.

6. Concurring with the aforesaid submission, learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for respondents 1 and 3 would submit that this Court may issue appropriate directions in this regard.

7. Considering the fair submissions made by the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the 2nd respondent, without going into the merits of the case, this Court directs the 2nd respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 12.08.2024, with regard to her claim for appointment, and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

8. The writ petition is disposed of with the above directions. No costs.

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