



W.P.No.37659 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 08.10.2025

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CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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M.Ganapathi

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Director,
Fire and Rescue Department,
Chennai – 600 008.

2. The District Officer,
Fire and Rescue Service,
Salem District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to pass orders on the petitioner's Mercy Petition, dated 06.06.2025, in the light of the Judgment passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate, Omalur, Salem in C.C.No.208 of 2021, dated 16.04.2024, within the time frame fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.S.Baskaran

For Respondents : Mr.Yogesh Kannadasan,
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the first respondent to pass orders on the petitioner's Mercy Petition, dated



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06.06.2025, in the light of the Judgment passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate, Omalur, Salem in C.C.No.208 of 2021, dated 16.04.2024, within the time frame fixed by this Court.

2. Mr.Yogesh Kannadasan, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents.

3. By consent, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal today at the admission stage itself.

4. The brief facts of the petitioner's case are that he is working as a Fireman in the respondent Department and due to family dispute, FIR has been registered against him and consequently, he has been suspended from service and given punishment of postponement of increment for a period of two years. However, after trial in C.C.No.208 of 2021, he has been acquitted from charges. In this circumstances, he has filed an appeal as against the punishment of postponement of increment and the same was returned vide the proceedings dated 05.03.2025 stating that the appeal has been filed beyond the limitation period of 60 days and a Mercy Petition may be submitted to the 1st respondent through proper channel.



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Accordingly, he has filed a Mercy Petition on 29.03.2025 and 06.06.2025 before the 1st respondent and the same has not been considered yet. Hence, he has filed the present Writ petition seeking a direction to the first respondent to consider the Mercy Petition dated 06.06.2025.

5. Considering the limited relief sought for in the Writ Petition, without going into the merits of the case, this Court directs the first respondent to consider the Mercy Petition of the petitioner dated 06.06.2024 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

6. With the above direction, this Writ petition stands disposed of.
No costs.

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A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA,J.,



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1. The Syndicate,
Annamalai University,
Chidambaram.
2. Vice Chancellor,
Annamalai University,
Chidambaram.
3. The Registrar,
Annamalai University,
Chidambaram.

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