



W.P(MD)No.19835 of 2024

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 01.04.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE J.NISHA BANU
and
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY**

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C.Selvakumar

... Petitioner

VS.

- 1.The Government of India,
Represented by its Secretary,
Department of Social Justice and Empowerment
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment,
Room No.637, A-Wing, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi – 110 001.
- 2.The Government of India,
Represented by its Secretary,
Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education,
122-C, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi – 110 001.
- 3.The Director (Administration),
Scheme for Residential Education for Students in High Schools in
Targeted Areas (SHRESHTA),
NSIC-MDBP Building,
First Floor, Okhla Industrial Estate,
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4.The Director,
National Testing Agency (NTA),
NSIC-MDBP Building,
First Floor, Okhla Industrial Estate,
New Delhi – 110 020.

5.The Tamil Nadu State Government,
Represented by its Principal Secretary,
Department of Adi Dravidar Welfare,
St. George Fort,
Chennai – 600 009.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 and 2 to ensure the dissemination of new notification to all common people by advertising this scheme in all media like regional newspapers, Television channels, social media etc., in all states in recognized languages based on the petitioner's representation dated 17.07.2024 and also directing the respondents 3 and 4 to conduct the exam after providing sufficient time after board exams based on the petitioner's representation dated 17.07.2024 and subsequently directing the 5th respondent to conduct special coaching classes for Tamil Nadu SC students from targeted areas and assist them to appear for this entrance test and ensure the advertisement of the said scheme in Tamil Language to reach out the maximum number of students in Tamil Nadu based on the petitioner's representation dated 15.07.2024.



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For Petitioner : Mr.Selvakumar
(Party-in-person)

For RR 1 to 3 : Mr.K.Govindarajan
Deputy Solicitor General of India

For R – 4 : Mr.P.Karthik
Central Government Standing Counsel

For R – 5 : Mr.P.Thilak Kumar
Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by J. NISHA BANU, J.)

This Writ Petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking a direction to the respondents to widely disseminate a new notification related to an entrance examination by advertising the scheme in all media platforms across all states in recognized languages. The petitioner further prays for directions to the concerned authorities to conduct the said examination only after providing sufficient time, particularly after the conclusion of board examinations, and to conduct special coaching classes for Scheduled Caste (SC) students in Tamil Nadu from targeted areas. Additionally, the petitioner seeks a direction to ensure the said scheme is advertised in the Tamil language to maximize its reach among Tamil Nadu students.



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2. The grievance of the petitioner is that his representations dated 15.07.2024 and 17.07.2024 addressed to the respondents have not been acted upon, and no substantial progress has been made till date.

3. This Court has carefully considered the submissions of the petitioner and the material placed on record. The petitioner appears to have approached this Court in a representative capacity, claiming to espouse the cause of students at large, particularly those belonging to the Scheduled Caste community in Tamil Nadu.

4. However, it is well settled that grievances which are personal or which affect individual students must be brought before the Court by such aggrieved persons themselves. In the present case, no student who is likely to be affected has come forward to challenge the notification or the conduct of the examination. The petitioner has not demonstrated that he has been personally affected or that there exists any legal right that has been infringed.



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5. This Court is of the opinion that in the absence of any personal or direct grievance, and in the absence of any affected student challenging the scheme or the schedule of the examination, no relief can be granted in the present writ petition.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is dismissed. However, liberty is granted to any aggrieved individual to approach this Court independently, in accordance with law. There shall be no order as to costs.

[J.N.B.,J.] & [S.S.Y.,J.]
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NCC : Yes / No
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