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W.P.(MD) No.22157 of 2019

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 03.07.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM
and
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY**

**W.P.(MD) No.22157 of 2019
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.18956 of 2019**

S.Peter Raj

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The State Government of Tamil Nadu
rep.by its Principal Secretary
School Education Department
Secretariat, Chennai-600 009
- 2.The Director of School Education
College Road, Chennai-600 006
- 3.The Director of Elementary Education
DPI Campus, College Road
Chennai-600 006
- 4.The Chief Educational Officer
Thoothukudi District
Thoothukudi-628 003
- 5.The Chief Educational Officer



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Tirunelveli District
Tirunelveli-627 001

6.The Chief Educational Officer
Kanyakumari District
Nagercoil-629 001

7.The Tuticorin Diocesan Association
(Registration No.1 / 1937-38)
rep.by its Procurator &
Chief Functionary
82, GC Road, Thoothukudi
Thoothukudi District-628 001

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 6 to take appropriate action against the 7th respondent school management on the basis of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions Act, 2004 and the petitioner's representations dated 26.09.2017, 04.05.2019, 18.05.2019, 08.06.2019, 22.06.2019 and 30.08.2019.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.David Ganesan

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader for R1 to R6
Fr.Savarimuthu
for M/s.Father Xavier Associates for R7

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[Order of the Court was made by S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.]

Learned counsel appearing for the seventh respondent submitted that the Government has issued a Government Order in G.O.(Ms) No.17, dated 02.02.2024, for granting of minority status to the private aided schools. If at all minority status has not been obtained from the Government in accordance with the Government Orders and the guidelines in force, such schools are not entitled to avail the benefits under various schemes in force for the benefit of the Minority Institutions.

2. With the above clarification, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[S.M.S., J.]

[S.S.Y., J.]

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NCC : Yes / No

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