



W.A.(MD).No.109 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 24.01.2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH
AND
THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE**

W.A.(MD).Nos.109 and 110 of 2025
and
C.M.P.(MD).Nos.694 and 695 of 2025

1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary to Government,
School Education Department,
Secretariat, Chennai.

2.The Director of School Education,
O/o. the Director of School Education,
College Road, Chennai - 6.

3.The Regional Accounts Officer
Office of the Regional Accounts Office (Audit)
School Education Department, Madurai 625 002.

4.The District Educational Officer,
Tenkasi.

... Appellants/Respondents 1 to 4
in both writ appeals

Vs.

1.P.Muthupandi

... 1st Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in WA(MD) No.109/2025

1. R.Srinivasan

... 1st Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in WA(MD) No.110/2025



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2.The Secretary

Sri Paramakalyani Higher Secondary School
Alwarkurichi
Tenkasi District

3.The Assistant Controller of Examinations,
Vinayaga Missions University
Salem.

... Respondents /Respondents 5&6
in both writ appeals

PRAYER: Writ Appeals filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, against the order dated 07.12.2023 in W.P.(MD).Nos.28863 and 28864 of 2023.

For Appellants : Mr.J.Ashok
Additional Government Pleader

For R-1 : Mr.R.Saravanan for R1
For R-3 : Mr.T.Antony Arulraj

COMMON JUDGMENT

(Judgment of the Court was delivered by M.S.RAMESH,J.)

The present Writ Appeals have been filed challenging the order passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P.(MD).Nos.28863 and 28864 of 2023 dated 07.12.2023.

2. The issue as to whether the incentive increment granted for the higher educational qualification of M.Phil., degree obtained from Vinayaga Missions University can be sustainable or not, is no more *res integra*, since this Court



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had held such degree to be valid for the purpose of grant of incentive increment in several cases including the case of the ***Government of Tamil Nadu, Represented by Secretary to Government, School Education Department, Fort St.George, Chennai – 09 and others Vs. R.Gunasekaran and others*** passed in ***W.A.(MD).No.686 of 2024 dated 16.04.2024***, which order was also confirmed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in S.L.P(C).Diary No.34679 of 2024 dated 11.11.2024.

3. As such, the order of the learned Single Judge, quashing the proceedings of the appellants herein withdrawing the incentive increments granted to the first respondents herein, cannot be found fault with. Hence, the Writ Appeals stand dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

(M.S.R.,J.) (A.D.M.C.,J.)
24.01.2025

NCC : Yes / No
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