



W.P(MD)No.22296 of 2025

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 20.08.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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and

WMP (MD) No.17424 of 2025

1. P.Leemarose
2. E.Mary Chandra
3. A.Mariya Androny Hemi
4. M.Mariya Nayagi Vijila
5. M.Vijaya Deepa
6. Arokiya Sumathi

... Petitioners

vs.

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Secretary to Government.
Cooperation Food and Consumer Protection
Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai-600 009.

2. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Secretary to Government,



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Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Fisheries
and Fishermen Welfare Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 600 009.

3. The Director of Fisheries,
3rd Floor,
Integrated Office Complex of
Animal Husbandry and Fisheries
Department,
No.571, Nandanam,
Chennai - 600 035.

4. The Registrar of Cooperative,
Societies,
N.V.Natarajan Maaligai,
No.170, Periyar Evr High Road,
Kilpauk,
Chennai-600 010.

5. The Deputy Director of Fisheries
of Kanniyakumari District,
Vadasery, Nagercoil- 629 001,
Kanniyakumari District.

6. The Assistant Director of Fisheries,
Colochel - 629 702,
Kanniyakumari District.

7. The Assistant Director of Fisheries,
Thengaipattinam,
Kanniyakumari District. - 629 173.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 3rd to 7th respondents



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to implement the order passed in G.O.Ms.No.86, Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection Department dated 12.03.2001, G.O.(D) No.289 Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection Department dated 28.09.2007 and 2nd respondents Orders/Circulars dated 21.08.2008, 01.10.2009, 14.09.2011 (2orders), 31.08.2012, 09.09.2021 and 09.11.2022 and to regularize the services of the petitioners with effect from 12.03.2001, to grant time scale of pay and pay fixation and DA and HRA with effect from 01.08.2008, increments, Selection Grade, Promotion, Earned Leave and Encashment of Earned Leave and to disburse the monetary benefits and to grant other such benefits viz. Retirement/Terminal benefits, Gratuity, Appointment on compassionate etc, within a time limit to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioners : Mr. S.Suresh Kumar

For Respondents : Mr.S.R.A.Ramachandran
Addl. Government Pleader

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 3 to 7 to implement the orders in G.O.Ms.No.86 (12.03.2001), G.O.(D) No.289 (28.09.2007) and various orders/circulars issued by the second respondent between 2008 and 2022. Further, the petitioners seek regularization of their services from 12.03.2001, grant of time scale pay, pay



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fixation, DA, HRA from 01.08.2008, increments, selection grade, promotion, leave benefits including encashment, disbursement of monetary benefits and other related benefits such as retirement benefits, gratuity, and compassionate appointments, within a time frame fixed by this Court.

2.Heard the learned counsel for the parties. By consent of both parties, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners were appointed as Clerks, Salesmen, and Packers in Fair Price Shops operated by various Fishermen Cooperative Societies in Kanniyakumari District. Their grievance is that their services have not been regularized. Consequently, they submitted a representation dated 15.12.2024, requesting regularization of their services along with all entitled monetary benefits. As no action was taken on the representation, the petitioners have filed the present writ petition before this Court.



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4. Learned counsel for the petitioner would further submit that the petitioner would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the fifth respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 15.12.2024 and pass appropriate orders thereon, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

5. Considering the above facts and circumstances, without going into the merits of the case, this Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the fifth respondent, to consider the representation of the petitioners dated 15.12.2024 and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law. Such exercise shall be completed as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is also made clear that this Court has not expressed any of its views with regard to the merits of the matter and that it is open to the fifth respondent to consider the same on its own merits. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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