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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SHAMIM AHMED

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M.Prema Latha

... Petitioner

VS.

1.Kannappan
Director of Elementary School Education,
DPI Campus, College Road, Chennai.

2.Sherlin Vimal,
District Elementary Educational Officer,
Tirunelveli District, Tirunelveli.

3.Karthikeswari,
Assistant Elementary Educational Officer,
Kalakad Range, Tirunelveli District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Court Act to initiate contempt proceedings under Section 11 of the Contempt of Court Act, 1971 against the Contemnors/respondents herein for their wilful disobedience to the order passed by this Court in W.P.(MD)No.22298 of 2016, dated 22.11.2016 and punish them accordingly.

For Petitioner	:Ms.Ulagammal for Mr.S.Chellapandian
For Respondents	:Mr.D.Sadiq Raja Additional Government Pleader



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ORDER

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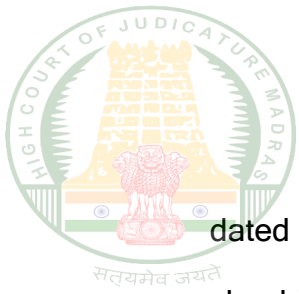
This is a petition seeking initiation of contempt proceedings against the respondents for violation of the order, dated 22.11.2016 passed by this Court in W.P.(MD)No.22298 of 2016.

2.Heard Ms.Ulgammal, learned Counsel representing Mr.S.Chellapandian, learned Counsel for the petitioner and Mr.D.Sadiq Raja, learned Additional Government Pleader for the respondents.

3.The Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, vide order, dated 22.11.2016 in W.P.(MD)No.22298 of 2016, had passed the following order:-

“5.In the result, these Writ Petitions are allowed. The impugned orders passed by the respondents 2 and 3 in W.P.(MD)Nos.22294, 22296 and 22298 of 2016 as well as the impugned order passed by the third respondent in W.P.(MD)No.22295 of 2016 are quashed. The 3rd respondent in all the cases are directed to consider the proposals sent by the 4th respondent schools, seeking to approve the appointment of the petitioners as Secondary Grade Teachers, in the light of the Division Bench judgment in W.A(MD)Nos.639 of 2015 etc., dated 17.06.2015 and to pass order of approval, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, W.M.P.(MD)Nos. 15977 to 159781, 15983 & 15984 of 2016 are closed.”

4.The learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that despite the judgment and order passed by this Court in W.P.(MD)No.22298 of 2016, dated 22.11.2016, the respondents have not complied with the directions of this Court and they have wilfully and deliberately flouting the orders passed by this Court,



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dated 22.11.2016. Thus, the learned Counsel submits that the respondents should be summoned and punished for committing contempt by exercising the powers under Sections 11 and 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971.

5.Today, when the matter is taken up, Mr.D.Sadiq Raja, learned Additional Government Pleader, who accepted notice on behalf of the respondents, in compliance of the order passed by this Court, dated 22.11.2016, filed a compliance affidavit along with an order, dated 23.07.2024, passed by the second respondent. The order passed by the second respondent, dated 23.07.2024 is taken on record. A copy of the order passed by the second respondent has also been given to the learned Counsel for the petitioner. Thus, the learned Additional Government Pleader submits that as the judgment and order passed by this Court has been fully complied with by the respondents, the respondents may be discharged from the present contempt proceedings and the present Contempt Petition may be disposed of.

6.Ms.Ulgammal, learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that she also received the copy of the order passed by the second respondent, dated 23.07.2024, and submits that the respondents have made complied with the judgment and order passed by this Court 22.11.2016 passed in W.P.(MD)No. 22298 of 2016. Thus, she submits that she has no objection that the respondents may be discharged from the present contempt proceedings and the



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Contempt Petition may be disposed of.

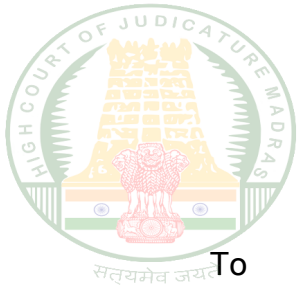
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7.After considering the arguments, as advanced by the learned Counsel for the parties and after perusal of the order passed by this Court in W.P.(MD)No. 22298 of 2016, dated 22.11.2016 and the order passed by the second respondent, dated 23.07.2024, this Court is also satisfied that the respondents have made fully complied with the directions issued by this Court and no useful purpose will be served in continuing the present contempt proceedings any further. Accordingly, the respondents are discharged from the present contempt proceedings and the present Contempt Petition is disposed of. The file is consigned to record. No order as to costs.

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