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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE KRISHNASWAMY GOVINDARAJAN

W.P.No.12044 of 2012

CNR:{HCMA010043572012}

I.Asha Ramya Reeena
Vocational Instructor, (Computer Science) Sdt.
Columbans A.I. Higher Secondary School, No.2,
Melean Street, George, Town, Chennai-1

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Government of Tamil Nadu,
   represented by the Secretary, Education
   Department, Fort St. George, Chennai-9

2. Director of School Education
   D.P.I. Complex, College Road, Chennai-6

3. Joint Director Of School
   Education, (vocational) D.P.I. Complex,
   College Road, Chennai-6

4. Inspector Of Anglo
   Indian Schools, D.P.I. Complex, College
   Road, Chennai-6

5. The Correspondent
   St.Columbans A.I. Higher Secondary School,
   No.2, Mclean Street, George Town,
   Chennai-1

..Respondent(s)

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Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records culminated in Letter No.40960/VE/2011-1 dated 27.02.2012 of the first respondent and quash the same and direct the respondents 1 to 4 to sanction and approve the post of the petitioner, as Vocational Teacher Grade I, with effect from the date of her appointment *viz* 05.01.2000 or alternatively from 09.02.2007 being the date of G.O.35 School Education (VE) Department, with all attendant benefits as applicable to Grade I Vocational Teachers.

For Petitioner(s):	Mr.C.Johnson
For RR 1 to 4:	Mr.J.Pradeep Government Advocate
For R5:	Ms.A.Arul Mary for M/s.Father Xavier Associates

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The matter is listed today under the caption “EB not available cases” and the same is taken up for final hearing.

2. Seeking the following prayer, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition:

> *"to call for the records culminated in Letter No.40960/VE/2011-1 dated 27.02.2012 of the first respondent and quash the same and direct the respondents 1 to 4 to sanction and approve the post of the petitioner, as*

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Vocational Teacher Grade I, with effect from the date of her appointment viz 05.01.2000 or alternatively from 09.02.2007 being the date of G.O.35 School Education (VE) Department, with all attendant benefits as applicable to Grade I Vocational Teachers."

3. It is the case of the petitioner that she was appointed as "Vocational Instructor/Teacher" in the fifth respondent school on 05.01.2000. The fifth respondent is a grant-in-aid school. It is her further case that ever since her appointment, she has been discharging her duty and in spite of her regular appointment in an available vacancy, she was not paid with regular time scale of pay. It is her further case that she is the only Vocational Teacher in the fifth respondent school and since vocational subject is vital to the curriculum, her post has to be recognized.

4. On the other hand, the learned counsel appearing for the fifth respondent filed a detailed counter, in which, particularly in paragraph no.3, the fifth respondent stated that the second respondent through proceedings dated 10.10.2000 in O.Mu.No.101352/W22/2000 granted permission to start a new Group with Computer Science as one of the subjects from the academic year 1999-2000 and the said permission to start a new group with Computer Science subject is on the condition that no post with grant-in-aid will be granted at any point of time. It is further stated in the counter affidavit that the fifth respondent

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school started the Computer Science group only as a self-financing stream without grant-in-aid from the Government and accordingly, there is no sanctioned Computer Science post in the fifth respondent school. Further, it is stated that the fifth respondent school after starting the said group with Computer Science subject, as a self-financing stream, appointed the petitioner as a Computer Science teacher with effect from 05.01.2000 only as a management staff in an unsanctioned post and as such, the claim of the petitioner is not correct and prayed for dismissal of the writ petition.

5. Heard the learned counsel on both sides and perused the materials available on record.

6. The core issue to be determined in this writ petition is only with respect to whether the Computer Science subject post is a sanctioned post or a management post.

7. For better appreciation, when I looked into the proceedings dated 10.10.2000 issued by the second respondent for recognizing the Computer Science subject, it is made clear that the subject was approved for starting a Computer Science course in the fifth respondent school only on the condition that there will not be any grand-in-aid at any point of time in future. The recognition was granted only for starting the course under the management.

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In view of the proceedings dated 10.10.2000, the claim of the petitioner is not maintainable. Hence, this writ petition stands dismissed. No costs.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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