



WEB COPY

WP No. 8925 of 2



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06-03-2026

CORAM

THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 8925 of 2026

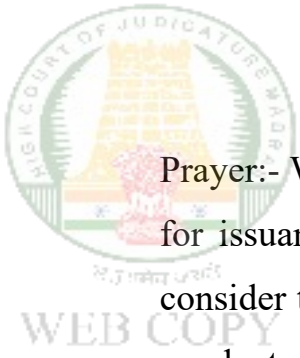
K.M.D.Suraj Venugopal

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Director Of School Education
Directorate of School Education,
DPI Complex College Road,
Chennai- 600 006.
2. The Chief Educational Officer(CEO)
Collectorate Campus, Ground Floor,
Near Collectorate Office,
Thiruvallur- 602 001.
3. The Chief Educational Officer (CEO)
Presidency Girls Higher Secondary School,
Spur Tank Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008.
4. N.Authimoolam
S/o.S.Nagamani,
Plot No.39, 8th Street,
Balaji Nagar, Kathirvedu,
Chennai-066.

..Respondent(s)



Prayer:- Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the 1st and 3rd respondents to consider the petitioners representation dated 10.07.2025 and further directing to conduct appropriate disciplinary enquiry against Thiru.Authimoolam, Government Teacher, Government Higher Secondary School, Manali and to pass necessary further order or orders which this Honble court.

For Petitioner(s): Ms.Rekha Sivakumar

For Respondent(s): Ms.Mythree Chandru, SGP for R.1 to R.3

ORDER

The above Writ Petition has been filed for the following reliefs:-

“directing the 1st and 3rd respondents to consider the petitioners representation dated 10.07.2025 and further directing to conduct appropriate disciplinary enquiry against Thiru.Authimoolam, Government Teacher, Government Higher Secondary School, Manali and to pass necessary further order or orders which this Honble court.”

2. This Writ Petition is a sheer abuse of process of Court.

3. The petitioner seeks action against his father-in-law (Mr. N. Authimoolan), the 4th respondent herein, who is a Government Teacher. The



complaint arises out of marital discord between the petitioner and his wife, allegedly due to the constant interference of the said Authimoolan in the petitioner's matrimonial life.

4. The petitioner's contention is that the said Authimoolan had interfered in his matrimonial life, exerted undue influence on his wife, and acted to the detriment of his minor daughter. Though the conduct complained of is in a personal capacity, according to the petitioner, it amounts to misconduct unbecoming of a Government servant, thereby attracting Rule 20 of the Tamil Nadu Government Servants' Conduct Rules, 1973.

5. The petitioner would submit that his wife and child have been forcibly separated from him and despite attempts to bring them back, the father-in-law has been a stumbling block. Therefore, he had sent a detailed representation dated 10.07.2025 to the respondents 1 to 3 to take action against his father-in-law under Section 17(b) of the Tamil Nadu Civil Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules. However, no enquiry has been initiated on the same. Hence, the present writ petition has been filed.

6. Heard the learned counsel on either side.



7. The allegations that have been made are matters that have to be resolved before the appropriate forum and not by invoking the extraordinary jurisdiction of this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. The petitioner is attempting to put pressure on his father-in-law by seeking departmental proceedings against him. The petitioner, who claims that his wife and daughter have been separated from him, has not stated in his affidavit whether he has taken steps to file an application for restitution of conjugal rights or to seek custody of his daughter. Without exhausting the available remedies, the petitioner has rushed to this Court.

8. Therefore, this Court finds no merit in this Writ Petition and the same is accordingly dismissed. No costs.

06-03-2026

Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

SHR



To

1. The Director Of School Education
Directorate of School Education,
DPI Complex College Road,
Chennai- 600 006.
2. The Chief Educational Officer(CEO)
Collectorate Campus, Ground Floor,
Near Collectorate Office,
Thiruvallur- 602 001.
3. The Chief Educational Officer (CEO)
Presidency Girls Higher Secondary School,
Spur Tank Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008.



WEB COPY

WP No. 8925 of 2



P.T.ASHA J.

SHR

WP No. 8925 of 2026

06-03-2026