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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

WA No. 3845 of 2025

and

C.M.P.No.31505 of 2025

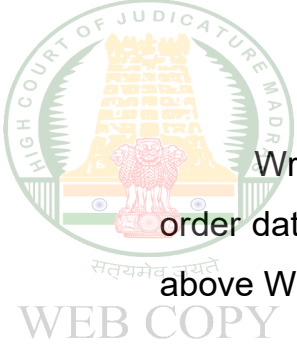
1. The State of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by its Principal Secretary to Government,
School Education Department, Fort St.
George,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 600 009.
2. The Director of Elementary Education
DPI CamPus, College Road, Chennai - 600
006.
3. The Chief Educational Officer
Villupuram District, Villupuram.
4. The District Educational Officer
Tindivanam Education District, Tindivanam,
Villupuram District.
5. The Block Educational Officer
Mylam Block,
Tindivanam Taluk,
Villupuram District.

Vs

..Appellant(s)

S B Meera
W/o. R.Gunasekar,
B.T.Assistant (Tamil),
Panchayat Union Middle School, Vizhukkam,
Mylam Block,
Villupuram District.

..Respondent(s)



Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent to set aside the order dated 26.04.2024 made in WP No.34321 of 2022 and thereby allow the above Writ Appeal.

For Appellant(s): Dr.R.Gouri, Govt. Counsel

For Respondent(s): Mr.Jayamalan

JUDGMENT

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

By consent of both parties, the writ appeal is taken up for final disposal.

2. The Director of Elementary Education is the appellant before this Court.

3. The respondent filed writ petition seeking stepping up of pay to the level of her junior, Mrs.Umarani and to pay the arrears of pay consequently.

4. The issue regarding claiming stepping up of pay by a senior citing juniors were adjudicated and the Division Bench of this Court passed an order on 04.12.2023 in a batch of writ appeals in W.A.(MD) Nos.764 to 773 of 2023 etc. batch. The Government, in pursuant to the order of the Court, issued G.O.Ms.No.164, School Education Department, dated 16.07.2025. The Government Order provides eligibility conditions and other criteria for stepping up of pay by citing the juniors. Therefore, the case of the respondent herein



also to be considered in terms of G.O.Ms.No.164 School Education Department dated 16.07.2025. The said exercise is directed to be completed as expeditious as possible.

5. The Writ Appeal is disposed of accordingly. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

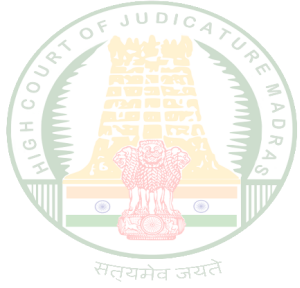
(S.M.S.,J.) (R.S.V.,J.)
25-06-2026

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

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**S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.
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