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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01-06-2026

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

WP No. 17597 of 2026

&

WMP Nos. 18906 & 18907 of 2026

M.Poongothai

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Tamil Nadu public Service commission
Rep by its secretary,
TNPSC Road,
VOC Nagar,
park Town,
Chennai 600 003
2. The Prinicipal secretary to Government
Finance (Op-I) Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking writ of certiorarified mandamus to call for the records in pursuant to the impugned government order passed by the 2nd respondent in GO Ms. No 42 Finance (OP -I) Department dated 17.02.2025 discharging the petitioner from service and quash the same as arbitrary, illegal, unjust in Law and consequently direct the respondents to reinstate the petitioner with all benefits.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. A.Manojkumar

For Respondent(s): Mr. R.Bharanidharan
(R1)

Mr. A.R.Balaji
(R2)



ORDER

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This writ petition is filed for the following relief:

“To call for the records in pursuant to the impugned government order passed by the 2nd respondent in GO Ms. No 42 Finance (OP -I) Department dated 17.02.2025 discharging the petitioner from service and quash the same as arbitrary, illegal, unjust in Law and consequently direct the respondents to reinstate the petitioner with all benefits.”

2. When the matter is taken up for hearing, it is brought to the notice of this Court that the very same issue involved in this writ petition has been dealt by this Court in a batch of writ petitions in ***W.P.No.2889 of 2025 etc., cases*** dated ***05.02.2026***, wherein, it is observed as follows:

“48.For the reasons aforesaid, all the writ petitions are allowed with the following directions:

(i)The respective impugned orders passed by the Commission cancelling the provisional selection and allotment and invalidating the OMR answer sheet of the petitioners are set aside;

(ii)The impugned orders passed by the respective appointing authorities removing the respective petitioner’s from service are also set aside holding that the said orders are passed without



following the service rules and in violation of principles of natural justice;

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(iii)The respective appointing authorities are directed to reinstate the petitioners in service forthwith and upon such reinstatement, if so advised, the respective appointing authorities are at liberty to initiate disciplinary action against the respective petitioners for the delinquency, alleged to have been committed by the petitioners and proceed against the respective petitioners in accordance with the relevant service rules governing the petitioners;

(iv)If disciplinary proceedings have already been initiated against any of the petitioners, then the appointing authorities shall take steps to conclude the disciplinary proceedings initiated as expeditiously as possible in accordance with the relevant service rules governing the said petitioners;

(v)The Commission is at liberty to proceed against the petitioners subject to the outcome of the criminal trial;

(vi)Upon cognizance being taken of the charge sheet by the concerned Court, the trial court is directed to proceed with the said trial and complete the same as expeditiously as possible and the petitioners herein are directed to cooperate with the trial court for completion of the trial as expeditiously as possible;



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(vii)The CBI is directed to place a copy of this order before the concerned trial court before which the charge sheet is pending cognizance so as to enable the concerned Court to proceed forthwith with the matter in accordance with law;

(viii)Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. There shall be no order as to costs.”

3. The aforesaid order dated 05.02.2026 applies on all fours to the case on hand and therefore, this writ petition is allowed on the same lines of the above order. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. No costs.

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

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