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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.SENTHILKUMAR

WA No. 817 of 2023

and

CMP Nos. 7785 & 7786 of 2023

S.K. Rajeswari
2-A, Thiruvalluvar Street, Gandhi Nagar, Avadi,
Chennai 600054. Now the appellant has changed
his residence at 29, Athiyaman Street,
Rajajipuram, Thiruvallur, Thiruvallur District.

..Appellant(s)

Vs

1. District Elementary Educational Officer
Chennai - 600 006.
2. The Assistant Elementary
Educational officer, Egmore, Chennai-8.
3. The President And Correspondent
Dhanakoti Middle School,
Chindadripet, Chennai-2.
4. Teachers Recruitment Borad,
Rep. by its Chairman, College Road,
Nungambakkam,
Chennai - 600 006.
5. Union Of India
Rep. by its Secretary to Government,
Department of School Education and Literacy,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
217-C, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi - 110 001.



6. National Council For Teacher Education (ncte),
Rep. by its Member Secretary, G-7,
Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi 110 075.

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..Respondent(s)

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Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent to set aside
the orders passed by the Honble Court in WP NO.3571/2017 dated
28.04.2022

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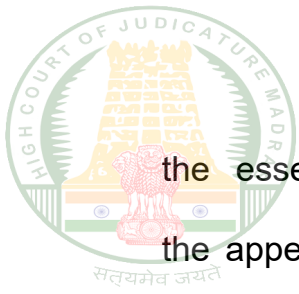
For Appellant(s):	Mr.G.Sankaran, Senior Counsel for M/s. C.S. Associates
For Respondent(s):	Dr.R.Gouri, Government Counsel for R1 & R2 Mr.P.Sankaranayaranan for R3 Mr.C.Kathiravan, Standing Counsel for TRB for R4 Not ready in notice for R5 No appearance for R6

Judgment

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

The present writ appeal has been instituted to assail the writ order
dated 28.04.2022 passed in W.P.No.3571 of 2017.

2. Writ Petitioner is the appellant herein. The appellant was appointed
as a Secondary Grade Teacher in the 3rd respondent School. The 1st
respondent rejected the approval of the appellant since she did not possess

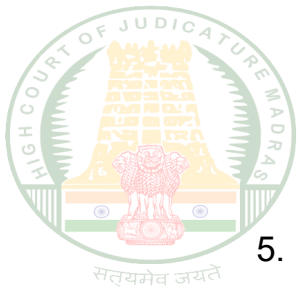


the essential qualification of passing of Teacher Eligibility Test (TET). Since the appellant did not possess the requisite qualification of TET, action was initiated to terminate her service and the appellant approached this Court by filing a writ petition. The writ petition was also dismissed by this Court.

3. The appellant was appointed as a teacher in the 3rd respondent school on 26.09.2011 and the process of appointment of teachers had been initiated prior to 23.08.2010 vide notification dated 23.08.2010 issued by National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE). The petitioner did not pass the TET till the extended time, which lapsed on 31.03.2019. Subsequently, TET exam was conducted on 08.06.2019 and 09.06.2019 and the petitioner did not pass the exam.

4. Learned Senior Counsel appearing on behalf of the appellant would submit that the Hon'ble Supreme Court in a Review Petition (Civil) Diary No.53434/2025 reported in 2026 INSC 597 has passed further orders by extending the time granted in paragraph No.217 of **Anjumanjuman Ishaat-e-Taleem Trust v. State of Maharashtra¹** for in-service teachers to acquire TET qualification from 2 (two) to 3 (three) years, i.e, the qualification has to be obtained by 31st August, 2028 instead of 31st August 2027 as originally directed. Learned Senior Counsel would submit that the appellant passed the TET exam on 15.11.2025.

¹ 2025 SCC Online SC 1912



5. However, the learned Government Counsel opposed by stating that the appellant is not an in-service candidate and the appellant had left the service.

6. In view of the above factual and legal position, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the writ order impugned. Therefore, the Writ Appeal stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

(S.M.S.,J.) (N.S.,J.)
03-06-2026

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

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