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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. 77 of 2026

and

C.M.P.No.625 of 2026

1. The Director Of School Education
Chennai 6
2. The Chief Educational Officer
Thiruvannamalai.
3. The District Educational Officer
Polur,
Thiruvannamalai Dist.
4. The Block Educational Officer li
Kalasapakkam,
Thiruvannamalai Dist.

..Appellant(s)

Vs

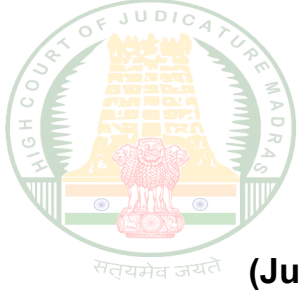
A. Rajendran
S/o.Arumugam,
B.T.Assistant (History),
Govt. Middle School,
Kettavarampalayam,
Kalasapakkam Union,
Thiruvannamalai Dist.

..Respondent(s)

Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent to set aside the order dated 26.6.2024 made in WP.No. 2436/2022 and allow this Writ Appeal.

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

For Respondent(s): No appearance



JUDGMENT

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

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

2. The respondent filed writ petition seeking stepping up of pay to the level of his junior, Mrs.S.Anbazhagi and fix his pay with effect from 06.12.2016 and to pay the arrears of pay consequently.

3. 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 is 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.

4. 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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To
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