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The matter is listed today under the caption “for being mentioned” at the instance of the learned counsel for the petitioners.

2. It is brought to the notice of this Court by the learned counsel that instead of panel, it has been wrongly mentioned as seniority list in the relevant paragraphs viz., 2 to 4 of the order dated 16.02.2026, and therefore, he prayed for necessary corrections.

3. Learned Standing Counsel for respondents 2 to 4 has no objection to carry out the said corrections.

4. In view of the stand taken by learned counsel on either side and as the errors are typographical in nature, para 2 to 4 shall stand substituted with the following paragraphs :-

2. The learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are working as Junior



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Assistants in the second respondent TASMAL and those who have passed book keeping and accountancy test are entitled to be promoted to the posts of Assistant, however, no promotion has been granted. Hence, this Court may issue a direction to the respondents to prepare a panel containing list of persons fit for promotion to the posts of Assistant as such persons who are possessed of book keeping and accountancy test are entitled for increment.

3. The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents 2 to 4 submits that appropriate order will be passed with regard to drawal of panel for promotion to the posts of Assistant and that such persons who are entitled for increment on completion of Book keeping and Accountancy Test would be granted the said increment.

4. In view of the limited relief sought for by the petitioner in this writ petition and as the respondents also fairly submit that such list would be prepared, the second respondent is directed to prepare a panel containing list of persons fit for promotion to the posts of Assistant within a period of 12 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Further, the persons who are possessed of a pass in Book Keeping and Accountancy Test shall also be granted increment, subject to their eligibility in accordance with law. Further, it is made clear that the respondents Corporation have no right to reject the claim of the



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petitioners, merely on the ground that they have filed the case
before the Court.

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5. Registry is directed to carry out aforesaid corrections and issue
fresh order copy to the parties.

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Note : Issue order copy on or before 29.04.2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 16.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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- 3.P.Manavalan
- 4.A.M.Sankarasekar
- 5.A.M.Babu
- 6.S.Athiyappan
- 7.K.Unnikrishnan
- 8.S.Sasikumar
- 9.T.Ravi
- 10.S.Kumaresan
- 11.N.Manoharan
- 12.M.Venkadesan
- 13.M.Elavarasan
- 14.S.Nirmal
- 15.S.Ragavaperumal
- 16.P.Velappan
- 17.A.Gladstone
- 18.M.Raja
- 19.M.Rajakumar
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- 22.S.Gunasekaran
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- 28.R.Prahalathan
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- 30.A.Ponasamy
- 31.C.Venkatesan
- 32.K.Perumal
- 33.M.Aranganathan
- 34.M.Saravanan
- 35.M.Ramakrishnan
- 36.M.Gurumurthy
- 37.G.Chelladurai
- 38.A.Abraham Lincoln
- 39.K.Sankara Subramanian
- 40.S.Ganesan
- 41.M.Sathishkumar
- 42.M.Sankarapandian
- 43.D.Ganesan
- 44.N.Suresh
- 45.K.P.Sivasubramanian
- 46.M.Siva
- 47.S.Veerapandi
- 48.T.Raj
- 49.E.Balamurugan
- 50.K.M.Raghu
- 51.N.Sridharan
- 52.S.Ramesh
- 53.G.Devaraj
- 54.G.Thiyagarajan
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- 58.D.Govindasamy
- 59.A.Appasamygopal
- 60.K.Jayakanthan



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- 62.B.Sreedhar
- 63.B.Rajan
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- 65.N.Sivakumar
- 66.K.Hirian
- 67.G.D.Sivakumar
- 68.K.Nagaraj
- 69.S.Kannan
- 70.R.Manigandan
- 71.P.Muthuvijai
- 72.M.Sekhar
- 73.A.Karthikeyan
- 74.R. Vijayaragavan
- 75.D.Sadeesh
- 76.V.Balamurugan
- 77.V.Suppaiah
- 78.T.Prabu
- 79.B.R.Ganeshan
- 80.M.Karuppusamy
- 81.S.Anna Durai
- 82.K.Petchi Muthu
- 83.R.Sivakumar
- 84.V.Kasipandi
- 85.M.Kannan
- 86.S.Murugan
- 87.K.Kalimuthu
- 88.C.Sekar
- 89.M.Murugesan
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- 91.V.Meyyappan
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- 99.N.Sivakumar
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- 101.B.Duraimurugan
- 102.V.Vivekanandan
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- 104.K.Venkatachalam
- 105.E.Sudharsanan
- 106.K.R.Sankar
- 107.G.Balamurugan
- 108.R.Baskaran
- 109.M.Perumal
- 110.K.Packirisamy
- 111.M.Kumar
- 112.K.Sakthivel
- 113.A.Valasai
- 114.K.Raja
- 115.R.Sridhar
- 116.S.Sankara Velayutham
- 117.N.Neelakantan
- 118.M.A.Elumalai
- 119.V.Vijayabaskar
- 120.S.R.Kuppusamy
- 121.P.Krishnan
- 122.K.Manoharan
- 123.J.Sureshkumar
- 124.P.Dhakshinamoorthy
- 125.A.Thiyagarajan
- 126.M.Mohamed Barak
- 127.C.Ramaiah
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- 129.A.Akim Shet
- 130.S.Chandrasekaran
- 131.S.Gnanakumar
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137.V.Sangaiahpandian
138.A.Raja
139.A.S.Arun Mareyapa
140.S.P.Sankar
141.A.Sivagnanam
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153.G.Mohan
154.S.Ezhilarasan
155.S.Radhakrishnan
156.S.Sankar
157.R.Sivakumar
158.V.Sukumar
159.R.Eswaran
160.R.Thiagarajan

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.The Government of Tamil Nadu,
Rep.by its Additional Chief Secretary,
Department of Home, Prohibition and Excise,
Fort St.George,
Chennai-9.



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2. Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Limited,
Rep.by its Chairman,
CMDA Tower II,
4th Floor, Gandhi Irwin Bridge Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008.

3. The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Limited,
CMDA Tower II,
4th Floor, Gandhi Irwin Bridge Road,
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4. The General Manager (Wholesale and Administration),
Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation Limited,
CMDA Tower II,
4th Floor, Gandhi Irwin Bridge Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008.

....Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents either to promote all the petitioners as Assistants in the existing vacancies or to upgrade the post of Junior Assistants which they are holding as Assistants with the scale of pay, pay and allowances and all other consequential benefits as applicable to the post of Assistants, either from the date of completion of three years of service as Junior Assistants and to promote them as Assistant Manager in the existing vacancies by relaxing the existing qualifying service of five years as Assistants to three years, based on the seniority in the post of Assistants.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Ravindran
Senior Counsel for
Mr.R.Krishnasamy

For Respondents : Mr.M.Rajendiran
Additional Government Pleader for R1
Mr.K.Sathish Kumar
Standing Counsel of TASMACH
for R2 to R4

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed to direct the respondents either to promote all the petitioners as Assistants in the existing vacancies or to upgrade the post of Junior Assistants which they are holding as Assistants with the scale of pay, pay and allowances and all other consequential benefits as applicable to the post of Assistants, either from the date of completion of three years of service as Junior Assistants and to promote them as Assistant Manager in the existing vacancies by relaxing the existing qualifying service of five years as Assistants to three years, based on the seniority in the post of Assistants.



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2. The learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioners submits

that the petitioners are working as Junior Assistants in the second respondent TASMACH and those who have passed book keeping and accountancy test are entitled to be promoted to the posts of Assistant, however, no promotion has been granted. Hence, this Court may issue a direction to the respondents to prepare a seniority list of persons fit for promotion to the posts of Assistant as such persons who are possessed of book keeping and accountancy test are entitled for increment.

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5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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Speaking Order : Yes / No
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