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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR

WP No. 43292 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012354072026}

Tamilselvi

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
   Dharmapuri, Dharmapuri District.

2. The Commissioner
   Panchayat Union,
   Eriyur, Dharmapuri District.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondent to revoke the order of suspension of the petitioner dated 13.03.2026 based on petitioner's application dated 11.05.2026 respectively as per the direction issued by the Government of Tamil Nadu in G.O. Ms. No.81 Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 04.08.2022 and consequently, direct the Respondent to pay the subsistence allowance to the petitioner along with arrears.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.V.Sivaraman

For Respondent(s): Mr.A.R.Suresh, SGP (R1)
Ms.Zeenath Begum, GA (CS) (R2)

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Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr.A.R.Suresh, learned Special Government Pleader for R1 and Ms.Jeenath Begam, learned Government Advocate for R2.

2. With the consent of both the parties, this Writ Petition is disposed at the admission stage.

3.The petitioner while working as Noon Meal Cooking Assistant in the second respondent-Union, she was involved in a criminal case vide Crime No. 56 of 2026 and she was also arrested and remanded to judicial custody. In view of the same, the first respondent herein through the impugned proceedings dated 13.3.2026 placed the petitioner under suspension and the petitioner is continued to be under suspension since then.

4. While so, the petitioner claims to have submitted a representation dated 11.05.2026 requesting for review of the order of suspension in the light of the orders issued by the Government of Tamil Nadu in G.O. (Ms) No.81, Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 04.08.2022. However, the said representation has not been considered by the first respondent. Hence, the petitioner has approached this Court by way of filing the present Writ Petition.

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5. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in terms of the orders issued by the Government in G.O. (Ms) No.81 Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 04.08.2022, the first respondent was under an obligation to review the order of suspension dated 13.03.2026 on expiry of the initial three-month period of suspension, the first respondent has not taken any steps to review the said order of suspension, despite the petitioner having submitted the representation as early as 11.05.2026.

6. Mr.A.R.Suresh, learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the first respondent fairly submits that the first respondent would strictly act in accordance with law orders issued by the Government in G.O. (Ms) No.81 Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 04.08.2022 to review the order of suspension and appropriate orders would be passed as early as possible.

7. In the light of the above, this Writ Petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to review the impugned order of suspension dated 13.03.2026 bearing No. Se.Mu.Na.Ka. No. 901/2026/X1 by duly taking into consideration the guidelines laid down by the Government in G.O. (Ms) No.81 Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 04.08.2022 and pass appropriate orders as expeditiously as possible at any rate within a period of six(6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The first respondent, while passing such orders, is bound to assign reasons if the first respondent intends to

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continue the petitioner under suspension. This must be done keeping in view that the prolonged continuation of the petitioner under suspension would result in payment of huge amount as subsistence allowance without extracting any work from him. No costs.

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