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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

WP No. 41551 of 2026
CNR:{HCMA012379662026}
AND
WMP NO. 46632 OF 2026

K.Dhuraivel
Junior Analyst,
Drugs Testing Laboratory,
DMS Campus, Teynampet,
Chennai 06

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Director of Medical Education and Research, Directorate of Medical Education and Research ,Kilpauk, Chennai 10.

2. The Secretary to Government
Health and family Welfare department,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Secretariat, Chennai 09

3. The Director
Directorate of Drugs control,
DMS Campus, Teynampet,
Chennai 06

..Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for a Writ of Mandamus to call for and consider the petitioner's credentials for appointment by recruitment by transfer to the post of Category 6 - Lecturer in Pharmacy in Government Medical Colleges in accordance with the applicable Special Rules governing the Tamil Nadu Medical services and consequently

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consider the petitioner's candidature along with all other eligible candidates before finalising the appointments pursuant to G.O (Ms) No. 263 Health and Family Welfare (PME-2) Department dated 16.09.2026 and pass appropriate orders within a time frame as may be fixed by this Honble court**.**

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R.Vijayakhumar
For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Vigneshwaran
Addl Govt Pleader for RR 1,2,3

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The petitioner is an M.Pharm (Pharmaceutics). He is currently working as a Junior Analyst in the Drugs Testing Laboratory, Chennai under the Tamil Nadu Medical Subordinate Services. He was appointed on 24.03.2021.

2. The Government of Tamil Nadu has decided to upgrade Pharmacy courses in the Government Medical Colleges. Consequently, it had decided to amend the Tamil Nadu Medical Subordinate Service Rules. The petitioner states that he is qualified to be appointed as a teaching faculty in Government medical institutions. The Tamil Nadu Government Medical and Health Department Analysts Association (TNGMHDAA) had approached the first respondent on 26.03.2026 seeking consideration of Junior Analysts to Pharmacy teaching posts. The petitioner followed it up with a similar representation on 20.09.2026. As it has not been considered, he has come forward with this writ petition seeking for a Mandamus.

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3. When the matter was taken up, Mr.C.Vigneshwaran, learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 3 states that it is a policy decision of the Government whether to shift persons working under the Directorate of Drug Control to the Department of Medical Education. He states the Government is yet to take a call on this aspect.

4. As it is a policy decision of the Government and since this Court cannot issue a positive direction to accommodate persons working under the Directorate of Drug Control to the Department of Medical Education, there shall be a direction to the second respondent to consider the representations dated 26.03.2026 and 20.09.2026 within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The result shall be communicated to the petitioner and to TNGMHDAA.

5. With the above direction, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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