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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 49557 of 2025

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The State Of Tamil Nadu,
Rep By Its Additional Chief Secretary To Government,
Environment, Climate Change And Forests Department,
Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(head Of Forest Force) Forest Headquarters Building,
Guindy- Velacherry Main Road,
Guindy, Chennai.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the Respondents to include the name of the petitioner in the 2024- 2025 selection list of Assistant Conservator of forest based on the proceedings of the 2nd respondent in Ref. no.AA17007/ 2024 dated 05.05.2025 and also based on the earlier precedents / similarly placed persons, within a stipulated time framed by this Honble court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.V.Vijay Prashanth

For Respondent(s): Mr.Selvaraj,
Additional Government Pleader



ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the Respondents to include the name of the petitioner in the 2024- 2025 selection list of Assistant Conservator of forest based on the proceedings of the 2nd respondent in Ref. no.AA17007/ 2024 dated 05.05.2025 and also based on the earlier precedents / similarly placed persons, within the time that may be stipulated by this Court.

2. The petitioner was initially appointed as Junior Assistant on 31.07.1998 and was subsequently, promoted as Assistant. Thereafter, the petitioner was selected as Forest Range Officer by way of transfer from Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service to the Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service. It is his grievance that his name was not included in the promotional panel to the post of Assistant Conservator of Forest by way of recruitment by transfer for the year 2024-25. Aggrieved by which, he submitted a representation dated 11.10.2025 to the respondents in that regard however, till date, the same has not been considered. Hence, the present Writ Petition.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that it would suffice, if this Court issues a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.10.2025 and pass appropriate orders on the same within the time that may be stipulated by this Court.



4. On the above contention, this Court heard the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.

5. In view of the limited relief sought for in this Writ Petition, this Court without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, directs the 1st respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.10.2025 and pass appropriate orders on the same in accordance with law within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and any other interested parties.

6. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the aforesaid direction. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

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