



W.P.(MD).No.236 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 07.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.236 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD) No.247 of 2026

LNP Girls Higher Secondary School,
Represented by its Secretary,
Mr.Gurucharan,
Lalgudi, Trichy District.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Chief Educational Officer,
Tiruchirappalli, Tiruchirappalli District.
2. The District Educational Officer,
Lalgudi, Tiruchirappalli District.
3. P.Murugesan,
District Educational Officer,
Lalgudi,
Tiruchirappalli District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records relating to the impugned order of direct payment in proceedings Na.Ka.No.7001/A2/2025, dated 26.12.2025 issued by the second respondent, quash the same as illegal.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.N.Ramanathan



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For R1 and R2 : Mr.N.Satheesh Kumar
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed by the Secretary of School Management challenging the order of direct payment.

2. According to the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner, as per the orders of the authorities dated 18.07.2024, the educational agency was approved for the period covering from 23.11.2022 to 22.11.2025. After the expiry of the tenure, when the office bearers made an attempt to conduct election, due to interim orders of this Court, election could not be conducted. On the ground that, as on today, there is no approved educational agency. the present impugned order has been passed for making direct payment to the staff concerned. Hence, the present Writ petition.

3. Per contra, the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the official respondents submitted that the tenure of the educational agency has expired and so far no steps have been taken and also the society is not successful in conducting the next election. There is no other alternative, but to pass an order of direct payment to the teaching and non-teaching staff.



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4. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on records.

5. A perusal of the records clearly reveal that the tenure of the petitioner as the educational agency has expired on 22.11.2025. For one reason or other, the election to the society could not be conducted. In such a view of the matter, the order passed by the respondents herein, imposing an order of direct payment cannot be found fault with. Therefore, the order of direct payment shall continue till election is conducted and the elected office bearers take charge.

6. With the above said observation, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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