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W.P.(MD) Nos.6003 & 6004 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 12.03.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR

W.P.(MD) Nos.6003 & 6004 of 2026

and

W.M.P.(MD) Nos.5037, 5040, 5043, 5044, 5045 & 5047 of 2026

S.Kayalvizhi

... Petitioner in W.P.
(MD) No.6003/2026

G.Jeyanthi

... Petitioner in W.P.
(MD) No.6004/2026

Vs.

1.The Principal Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration and
Water Supply Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.

2.The Directorate Municipal Administration,
75, Santhome High Road,
Pattinampakkam M.R.C.Nagar,
R.A.Puram, Chennai - 600 028.

3.Anna University,
Rep. by its Controller of Examination,
Old Highways Building, Sardarpatti,
Guindy, Chennai - 600 005.

... Respondents in
both W.Ps.



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Prayer in W.P.(MD) No.6003 of 2026 : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records pertaining to the order passed in ROC No.14859/2022/M1 dated 10.01.2026 by the second respondent and quash the same and further direct the second respondent to appoint the petitioner as Draughtsman in Directorate of Municipal Administration.

Prayer in W.P.(MD) No.6004 of 2026 : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records pertaining to the order passed in ROC No.14859/2022/M1 dated 10.01.2026 by the second respondent and quash the same and further direct the second respondent to appoint the petitioner as Work Inspector in Directorate of Municipal Administration.

For Petitioner
in both W.Ps. : Mr.T.S.Mohamed Mohideen

For R1 & R2
in both W.Ps. : Mr.S.Shaji Bino
Special Government Pleader

For R3
in both W.Ps. : Mr.H.Jasima Yasmin
for M/s.Ajmal Associates

COMMON ORDER

These Writ Petitions have been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records pertaining to the order passed in ROC No.14859/2022/M1 dated 10.01.2026, whereby the claim



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made by the petitioners to treat the Bachelor of Engineering Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) as equivalent to a Diploma or Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering was negated by the second respondent on various grounds.

2. When the matter was taken up for consideration, after notice, Mr.S.Shaji Bino, learned Special Government Pleader, brought to the notice of this Court that an identical issue had come up for consideration before a Coordinate Bench of this Court in W.P.Nos.12097 and 12522 of 2025 [***R.S.Manoranjitham and others vs. The Principal Secretary to the Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department and others***] and that this Court, by an order dated 18.11.2025, had negated the identical claims. This Court, in the said case, held as under:

“4. Further, the petitioners had misunderstood the resolution No.11 in GO.Ms.No178 Higher Education (J1) Department dated 17.07.2015. It is very clear that the required educational qualification for the post of Work Inspector is that the candidate must possess Diploma in Civil Engineering or Mechanical Engineering or Electrical Engineering. Further, Electronics and Communication Engineering primarily focusses electronic circuits, communication systems, and maintenance of communication devices and electronic systems, and there is no direct involvement in



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providing basic infrastructure to the public under municipal administration. Electrical Engineering has a broader scope, encompassing areas such as power generation, transmission, distribution, and large-scale electrical infrastructure. This field plays a key role in delivering essential amenities to the public, such as electricity and other infrastructure development projects like street light maintenance and major water supply and UGSS scheme in Urban Local Bodies. Therefore, the petitioners misconstrued the educational qualification and wrote the examination. Hence, both the writ petitions fail and the same are liable to be dismissed.”

3. In the light of the above, this Court does not find any reason to re-adjudicate the issue. Since this Court has already considered the very same issue and the said decision is binding, the relief sought by the petitioners in these Writ Petitions cannot be granted. Hence, these Writ Petitions are liable to be dismissed.

4. Accordingly, these Writ Petitions are dismissed. No costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No



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