



W.P(MD)No. 8809 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED :01.04.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

W.P(MD)No. 8809 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.7127 of 2026

R.Krishnaveni

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary,
Department of School Education,
Fort St.George,
Chennai - 600 009.

2. The Director of School Education,
College Road,
Chennai -600 006.

3. The District Educational Officer (Elementary),
Pattukkottai,
Thanjavur District.

4. The Block Educational Officer,
Thiruvonam Union,
Orathanadu Taluk,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of



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India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records relating to the impugned proceedings in R.C.No.00852/B3/2026 dated 24.03.2026 of the 3rd respondent quash the same as illegal.

For Petitioner : Mr. A.Arun Prasad

For Respondents : Mr.N.Sathish Kumar
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed for a Writ of Certiorari to quash the impugned proceedings in R.C.No.00852/B3/2026, dated 24.03.2026 of the third respondent.

2. The petitioner has joined in service as Secondary Grade Teacher and now, she is working as Head Mistress of Vellathevanviduthi Panchayat Union Primary School from 01.01.2026 onwards. The petitioner has completed 27 years of service. The petitioner was awarded with several awards. However, when the petitioner had participated in a dance competition in a marriage hall, the petitioner was imposed with suspension order. Hence, the petitioner is seeking revocation of suspension.



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3. The learned Additional Government Pleader for the respondents vehemently objects for the revocation of suspension stating that the petitioner has performed dance in a political party event. As per the Rules and Regulations, a Government employee should not participate in any political event. Therefore, the third respondent has suspended the petitioner and has produced the photographs, wherein the photos show the petitioner dancing in front stage and behind therein a banner of a political party with its header's picture.

4. The contention of the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner is that on that date, three functions were organised in the same place, viz., marriage, political party event and women's day celebration. The petitioner claims that she participated in the dance competition conducted on the women's day celebration.

5. When the respondents are having power to initiate disciplinary action, they are at liberty to proceed with the same. As far as the suspension in the present case is concerned, the suspension is unnecessary. Therefore, the respondents are directed to revoke the



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suspension and reinstate the petitioner into service forthwith and the respondents are at liberty to proceed with the disciplinary proceedings.

6. With these directions, this Writ Petition is allowed. No costs.

Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

NCS : Yes/No
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Internet : Yes / No
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