



W.P(MD)No.10160 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 21.04.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Deputy Secretary (Pension),
Coffee Board, No.1,
Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Veedhi,
Bengaluru-560001.

2.The Deputy Director (Pension),
Coffee Board, No.1,
Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Veedhi,
Bengaluru-560001.

3.The Deputy Director (Extension),
Coffee Board, No.8/2,
Subburaj Nagar,
Bodinayakkanur,
Theni District – 625531.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records of the impugned order passed by the 2nd respondent dated --.03.2023 bearing Ref. No.FIN/PEN/PPO No.526/2022-23/01 quash the same and direct the respondents to pay the family pension to the petitioner within the time limit stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Saravanan
For Respondents : Mr.S.Shaji Bino,
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned order passed by the 2nd respondent dated 03.04.2023 bearing Ref. No.FIN/PEN/PPO No.526/2022-23/01, to quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to pay family pension to the petitioner.

2. The petitioner herein is claiming payment of family pension on the ground that she is a divorced daughter of Late.Krishnan Nair, who worked in the respondent Coffee Board at Coimbatore and retired from service on 31.03.1985. The said request made by the petitioner was rejected by the respondents in the impugned proceedings dated 03.04.2023, on the ground that the divorce proceedings of the petitioner had been initiated only after the death of her mother and, therefore, she cannot be regarded as falling within the category of a divorced daughter and is consequently not eligible for payment of family pension.

3. On perusal of the materials available on record, it is clear that the



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mother of the petitioner died on 07.03.2019, whereas the petitioner obtained divorce only on 22.08.2022 and thereafter made a claim for payment of family pension under the category of divorced daughter. As the petitioner was not a divorced daughter as on the date of demise of her mother, the question of the petitioner claiming family pension in the capacity of a divorced daughter does not arise.

4. In such circumstances, this Court does not find any error or illegality in the impugned proceedings passed by the respondents. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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