

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 31.07.2019

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THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN

W.P.No. 20962 of 2019

Sai Rahul Vijayakumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Registrar,
Bharathiar University,
Marudhamalai Road,
Coimbatore - 641046.

2. State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
Secretariat, Fort St.George,
Chennai - 600009.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to make changes in the University records and issue a revised B.E. (Computer Science & Engineering) Degree Certificate and B.E. Mark sheets reflecting the petitioner's name as 'Sai Rahul Vijayakumar' and gender as 'Male' and to direct the 2nd respondent to issue a circular/instructions to all the educational authorities, universities and institutions in Tamil Nadu to act in consonance with the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and carry out changes of name and gender in marks sheets and all educational certificates when applications for such changes are made by transgender and intersex persons so that they are not required to

approach the courts for change of their name and gender in educational documents.

For Petitioner : Ms.Deekhsitha
for Mr.C.Prabhu

For Respondents: Mr.S.Suresh Kumar
Government Advocate [R1]
Mr.L.P.Shanmugasundaram
Special Government Pleader [R2]

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that being a transgender, she has changed her name from 'Gayathri V' to 'Sai Rahul Vijayakumar'. She is a B.E. graduate from Amrita Institute of Technology & Science affiliated to Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, when he approached the authorities to change the name and gender in the University documents, the request was not properly considered, hence, he has approached this Court by way of mandamus.

3. On notice sent to the Registrar, Bharathiar University, the Registrar through his counsel reports that so far, no application duly signed by the petitioner with requisite fees for correction in the

certificates received by the University. He undertakes that if the petitioner submits his application through the Principal, Amrita Institute of Technology, Coimbatore along with fee of Rs.500/-, the University will carry out the required change in the name and gender in the University documents of the petitioner and issue amended copy of the documents in the given name.

4. Recording the same, the Writ Petition is disposed of. The petitioner shall forward his application through the Principal, Amrita Institute of Technology, Coimbatore, along with prescribed fee of Rs.500/-. On receipt of the application, the Bharathiar University is directed to carry out the necessary change and furnish the amended certificates to the petitioner herein, within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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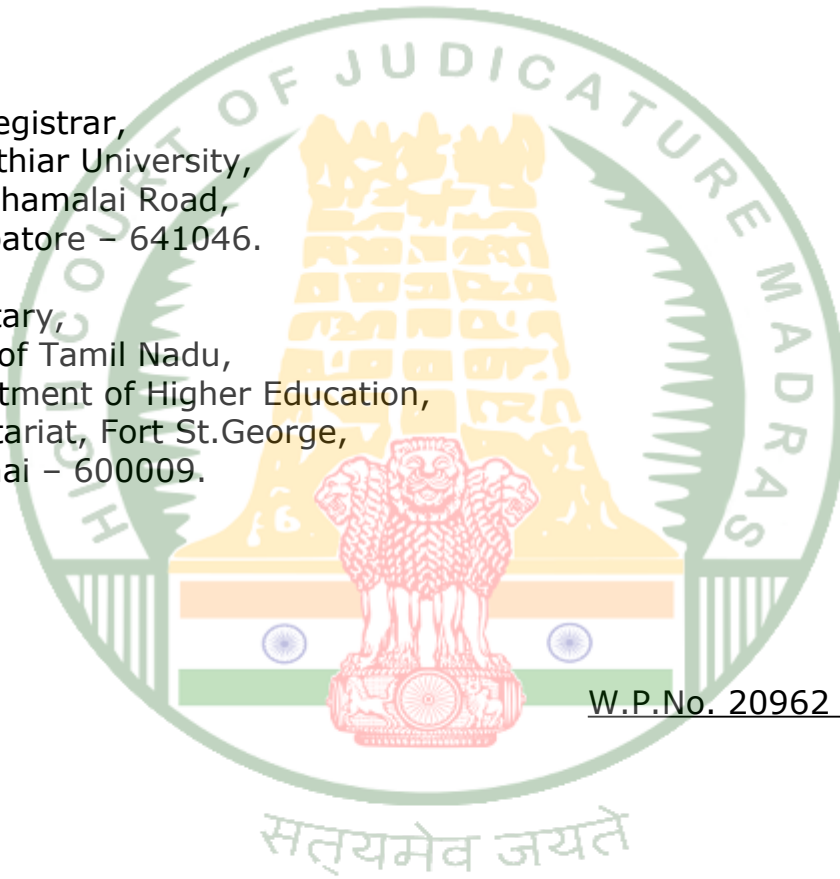
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Dr.G.JAYACHANDRAN,J.

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To

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