



**DHARMAMURTHI RAO BAHADUR  
CALAVALA CUNNAN CHETTY'S HINDU COLLEGE**

**"LINGUISTIC (TELUGU) MINORITY STATUS  
CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU"**

Re-accredited by NAAC

Affiliated to University of Madras

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**Sri M. Venkatesaperumal**, B.A., F.C.A.,  
Honorary Secretary

**Dr. (Smt.) G. Kalvikkarasi**, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  
Principal

Date : 09.03.2026

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION**

The Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College was established 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1969 and Affiliated to the University of Madras. The 2(f) and 12(b) status awarded by the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 1969. The Government of Tamil Nadu Grants in Aid system in 1970 for Shift 1 courses and the Shift 2 were introduced in the academic year of 1995-1996 to bring in New Courses under unaided stream. Re-accredited by NAAC in 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle with B+ 2.5 to out of 4.00. Further the Government of Tamil Nadu has conferred "LINGUISTIC (TELUGU) MINORITY STATUS" with effective from 2018 - 2019. The act is attached herewith for ready reference.

The Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai - 600072 operates under the legal frame work established by Government of Tamil Nadu and UGC which governs our Institution's functioning, powers and responsibilities. Our MoA outlines the core objectives, mission and Guiding principles that drive our commitment to academic excellence and student development. These statutes provide the foundation of our governance structure, ensuring transparency, accountability and adherence to global educational standards. Through these regulations, we uphold our values of integrity, inclusivity and continue improvement, while ensuring conducive environment for quality education and innovation in our College.

*G. Kalvikkarasi*  
PRINCIPAL

**DHARMAMURTHI RAO BAHADUR CALAVALA  
CUNNAN CHETTY'S HINDU COLLEGE  
DHARMAMURTHI NAGAR,  
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SUB: COLLEGES - Aided - Opening of Arts Colleges under Private Managements approval for purposes of aid from State Funds - Accorded.

Read: G.O.Ms.No. 1701, Education, dated 8.10.1970.

The Director hereby approves the opening of ~~underacted~~ seven Arts Colleges with Pre-University under Private Managements in 1969-70 furnished in the Annexure to these Proceedings for purposes of aid from State Funds subject to the following conditions:--

- (a) the various conditions specified in the Grant-in-Aid Code and the conditions relating to the reservation of seats to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and educationally and socially Backward Classes, grant of fee concessions etc., shall be fulfilled;
- (b) the rules and orders issued by Government or by the Director of Collegiate Education, Madras from time to time in regard to the levy of tuition fees, special fees and other matters shall be strictly followed;
- (c) the managements of colleges should pay the teaching staff at the revised scales of pay recommended by the University Grants Commission and adopted by the State Government from 1969-70, failing which, teaching grant due to the colleges for the years for which such scale of pay has not been implemented will not be released;
- (d) the teaching grant will be assessed only if the managements have entered into agreements with the teachers implementing the revised scales of pay recommended by the University Grants Commission and adopted by the State Government;
- (e) teaching grant will not be assessed in respect of such of the teaching staff as are handling the subjects or language or course, the minimum strength of which is less than 20 students, provided that in the case of minority languages, this condition will be relaxed by the Director, if specific reasons are reported for the uneconomic strength;
- (f) the initial provisions of the land buildings, equipments, furniture, library books etc., required for the college should be borne in full by the management and no non-recurring grant will be sanctioned from State Funds towards such initial provision.
- (g) the Teachers' Provident Fund Scheme should be implemented in respect of all the members of the staff of the college who are eligible for admission to such scheme.

- 2) The Correspondents are informed that they should apply to the Director, for the opening of any additional courses, separately, in the form prescribed for the purpose, for his approval.
- 3) The receipt of these Proceedings should be acknowledged.

O. R. SURIANARAYANAN,  
DIRECTOR OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION.

*[Signature]*  
SUPERINTENDENT.

/true copy/forwarded/by order/

To The Correspondents --  
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TO

The Correspondents

1. R.B.C.C. Hindu College, Thundarai, Pattabiram.
2. Mazrul Uloom Arts College, Ambur.
3. Emerald Heights College, Ootacamund.
4. Ambai Arts College, Ambasamudram.
5. Ayyappa College, Aloor. (Kanyakumari District).
6. Yadhava College, Madurai.
7. Poompuhar Arts College, Melaiyur, Sirkali Taluk, Thanjavur District.

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ANNEXURE

1. R.B.C.C. Hindu College, Thundarai, Pattabiram. (Chingleput Dist.
2. Mazarul Uloom Arts College, Ambur, North Arcot District.
3. Emerald Heights College, Ootacamund, Nilgris District.
4. Ambai Arts College, Ambasamudram, Tirunelveli District.
5. Ayyappa College, Aloor. (Kanyakumari District).
6. Yadhava College, Madurai, Madurai District.
7. Poompuhar Arts College, Melaiyur, Sirkali Taluk, Thanjavur Dt.

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**ABSTRACT**

Aided Colleges - Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai run by Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Charities, Chennai - Conferment of linguistic (Telugu) Minority Status to the college for a period of five years from 2018 - 2019 to 2022 - 2023 - Orders - Issued.

**Higher Education (E1) Department**

G.O.(Ms)No: 89

Dated: 27.05.2019.  
விசாரி, வைகாசி 13,  
Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2050  
Read:

- 1) G.O.(Ms) No.270, Higher Education (J1) Department, dated: 17.06.1998.
- 2) Judgment of Supreme Court of India, dated 17.10.1994 and 31.10.2002 in W.P.(Civil) No.317/1993 in T.M.A. Pai Foundation and Others -Vs-State of Karnataka and others.
- 3) G.O.(Ms) No.48, Higher Education (E1) Department, dated : 12.03.2007.
- 4) From the Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai-6 letter No 22285/G1/2013, dated: 07.08.2013, 18.12.2017 and 18.01.2018.

**ORDER:-**

In the reference second read above, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in its order, dated: 17-10-1994 in I.A.No.20 in W.P.(C).No.317 of 1993, filed by TMA Pai Foundation and others, has stayed the operation of all the decrees / orders, which might have been given by any Civil Court in respect of the minority status to the Institutions concerned and directed that the institutions, claiming minority status, shall approach the Government for a declaration, that they are minority institutions and till such time, the Government issue an order declaring that it is a minority institution, they cannot operate as Minority Institutions. The 11 Judges Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court of India, in its judgment dated: 31-10-2002 in the same case, has laid down certain laws relating to aided / unaided Minority / non-minority educational institutions. However, with regard to the framing of 'indicia' for treating an educational institution as a Minority institution, the Supreme Court has held that it will be dealt with by a Regular Bench.

2. The President, Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College in his letter dated 12.10.2006 has requested the Government to issue orders for conferment of linguistic (Telugu) minority status to educational institution of Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Charities which includes Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College functioning at Pattabiram, Chennai-72.

3. The Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Charities, Chennai filed W.P.No. 8906/07, in the High Court of Madras for directing the respondents to consider the request of the petitioner dated:12-10-2006 for conferring minority status to the petitioner's Trust. In the above Writ Petition the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its order dated:12-3-2007 had given the following direction :-

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4. *this writ petition is disposed of directing the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 12-10-2006 in the light of the guidelines formulated by the Government and pass appropriate orders, within a period of two months from the date of receipt or production of a copy of this order. No Costs*

4. The Director of Collegiate Education, in his letter fourth read above, has sent a proposal along with relevant documents / certificates of concerned College Management to Government for conferment of linguistic (Telugu) Minority Status to Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai run by Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Charities, Chennai and recommended for the conferment of minority status to the said College. The Government have examined the proposal of the Director of Collegiate Education as per the orders issued in the reference first and third read above and found that :-

- a) In G.O.(Ms).No.1701, Education, dated 8.10.1970, permission was granted to open the Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College Thundarai Pattabiram. The said college has been affiliated to University of Madras.
- b) The College has been established and continuously being administered by the member of the concerned minority.
- c) Combined Community Certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Taluk Officer, Avadi in his letter Rc.No.1778/2016 /A-1, Dated 2.3.2016, certifying that all the present members of the Trust Board belong to Arya Vysya Community which is a Forward Community whose Mother Tongue is Telugu.
- d) In the object clause of the Trust Deed reflects specifically that it is serve the interest of concerned linguistic minority.
- e) The minority student admitted in the college during the academic years 2011-12, 2012-2013, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 are 9.04%, 10.95%, 10.63%, 11.91%, 8.08% and 6.60% respectively.
- f) The Director of Collegiate Education has recommended for conferment of linguistic minority status to the said college.

5. The Government after careful examination, have decided to accept the proposal of the Director of Collegiate Education for Conferment of linguistic (Telugu) Minority Status

to Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai run by Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Charities, Chennai for a period of five years from 2018-2019 to 2022-2023, subject to the ultimate guidelines that are to be laid down by the Regular Bench of Supreme Court of India based on "indicia" for treating an educational institution as a minority institution and subject to the following conditions stipulated in the Government Order third read above:-

- i) The Director of Collegiate Education or Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education concerned should conduct annual inspection of the institution.
- ii) If the Minority Institution by commission or omission of any action does anything against the minority status, the Head of the Department shall bring it to the notice of the Government for withdrawal of the minority status and the Government may take further necessary action for withdrawal of the minority status after giving an opportunity to the institution concerned.

(By order of the Governor)

Mangat Ram Sharma  
Principal Secretary to Government

To  
The Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai-6  
The Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai,  
The Secretary, Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College,  
Pattabiram, Chennai-72.  
The Registrar, University of Madras, Chennai.  
Copy to :  
The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, Chennai-9  
The Personal Assistant to Principal Secretary to Government,  
Higher Education Department, Chennai -9.  
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//Forwarded/ By order//

*M. Ram*  
27/10/2019  
Section Officer  
6/10/2019  
29.5.19

*B. S. Srinivasan*  
PRINCIPAL,  
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W.P.No.19918 of 2019

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.04.2022

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THE HONOURABLE DR. JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

W.P.No.19918 of 2019

Dharamamurthi Rao Bahadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's  
Hindu College, Pattabiram,  
Chennai – 600 072.

Represented by its Honorary Secretary,  
Mr.M.Venkateasaperumal

...Petitioner

Vs.

1. State Of Tamil Nadu,  
Represented by its Principal Secretary.  
Higher Education Department,  
Fort St.George,  
Chennai – 600 009.
2. The Director of Collegiate Education,  
DPI Campus, College Road,  
Chennai – 600 006.
3. The Joint Director of Collegiate Education,  
Chennai Region, Saidapet,  
Chennai – 600 015.

... Respondents

**Prayer:** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorari, calling for the records relating to the impugned order issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent State Government in GO(MS) No.89 dated 27.05.2019 Higher Education Department and quash the same in so far as it relates to the status of the petitioner college as the minority education institution to a limited period of five years from 2018-19 to 2022-23.



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For Petitioner : Mr.RS.Jeevarathinam  
for Basu.K.Balaiyanantham  
For Respondents : Mr.D.Ravichander  
Special Government Pleader.

### ORDER

Read this order in conjunction with earlier order dated 25.03.2022 that

reads as follows:

*“The issue raised in this writ petition is as to the continuance of Minority Status granted to the Dharmamurthi Rao Behadur Calavala Cunnan Chetty's Hindu College, Pattabiram, vide G.O.(Ms).No.89 of Higher Education Department, dated 27.05.2019. The Authority has granted recognition of minority status only for a period of five years, and the Institution challenges it on the ground that the Authority ought not to have restricted the minority status for the limited period.*

2. *Prima facie, this issue appears to be covered by a decision of the First Bench of this Court, in Writ Appeal SR.No.7173 of 2019 dated 13.08.2020, in the case of State of Tamil Nadu Vs Syed Ammal Engineering College. Paragraph Nos. 21 and 22 of the said decision is extracted hereunder:-*

*“21. The contention of the State that such restrictions on the period of certification of minority status is necessary to monitor in our opinion also is not logically made out, inasmuch as, the State can take appropriate steps if it finds any deviation in the status of minority or otherwise of the institution for the limited purpose of certification and recognition granted by it. However, the issuance of the certificate for five years in the present case does not indicate any reason not to continue it beyond five years. Even in the affidavit filed in support of the appeal or before the learned single Judge, no material was brought forth to even remotely suggest that the institution had violated any regulation or norms so as to disentitle it to continue to claim recognition as an institution having minority*



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*status. This is a case where there is no such material and therefore, there cannot be any justification for making a provision so as to limit recognition. On the other hand, putting a limitation would not serve any such purpose inasmuch as even during the pendency or continuance of a certificate, <http://www.judis.nic.in> CMP.No.5028 of 2020 and WA.No.SR 7173 of 2019 the state is not denuded by the power of withdrawing any such recognition if any violation is established upon a due consideration of the facts by following the procedure prescribed by law. There is no rationale decipherable in restricting the period so as to connect it with the power of withdrawal of recognition of the State Government. If the power of the State Government can be exercised reasonably, there is no rational nexus between the object of limiting the period of certification with the object of exercising control or the power of withdrawal of recognition. The status of minority of an institution and the power to withdraw the recognition or certification though connected with each other, are differently placed. The power of withdrawal of recognition or certification is still there with the Government even if the recognition or certification is for an unlimited period. Accordingly, the limitation prescribed does not pass the test of Article 14 of the Constitution of India or reasonableness as well. Thus, the prescription of limitation of certification of minority rights guaranteed under Article 30 of the Constitution of India may not be permissible in these circumstances.*

*22. We say this because the rights under Part III of the Constitution of India are there to protect existing rights. The recognition of the status of the institution as a minority status does <http://www.judis.nic.in> CMP.No.5028 of 2020 and WA.No.SR 7173 of 2019 not amount to conferment of a minority status and is rather a recognition and acknowledgment of the existing minority status of an institution. The existence, therefore, of such a fundamental right is not dependent upon certification, but is dependent upon the ingredients of the establishment and administration of an educational institution, which, in the present case, has not been disputed by the State at all."*

*3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner also*



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refers to the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court, in the case of *N.Ammad Vs. Manager, Emjay High School and Others*, reported in (1998) 6 SCC 674 and paragraphs 12,13,15 to 17 are extracted hereinbelow.

"12. Counsel for both sides conceded that there is no provision in the Act which enables the Government to declare a school as a minority school. If so, a school which is otherwise a minority school would continue to be so whether the Government declared it as such or not. Declaration by the Government is at best only a recognition of an existing fact. Article 30(1) of the Constitution reads thus:

"30. (1) All minorities, whether based on religion or language, shall have the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice."

13. When the Government declared the School as a minority school it has recognised a factual position that the School was established and is being administered by a minority <http://www.judis.nie.in> CMP.No.5028 of 2020 and *W.A.No.SR 7173 of 2019* community. The declaration is only an open acceptance of a legal character which should necessarily have existed antecedent to such declaration. Therefore, we are unable to agree with the contention that the School can claim protection only after the Government declared it as a minority school on 2-8-1994.

15. A Constitution Bench of seven Judges of this Court in *Kerala Education Bill, 1957, Re [AIR 1958 SC 956]* has examined the constitutional validity of the Bill which was the precursor to the Act when the President of India had sought the advice of the Supreme Court under Article 143 of the Constitution. One of the propositions laid down by the said Constitution Bench in the said decision is

this: the right guaranteed under Article 30(1) is a right that is absolute and any law or executive direction which infringes the substance of that right is void to the extent of infringement. But the absolute character of the right will not preclude making of regulations in the true interests of efficiency or instruction,



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*discipline, health, sanitation, morality, public order and the like, as such regulations are not restrictions on the substance of the right guaranteed by the Constitution.*

*16. The aforesaid proposition was approved by another Constitution Bench of this Court in Sidhrajibhai Sabbaiv. State of Gujarat [AIR 1963 SC 540 : 1962 Ker LT 135] and also by a nine-Judge Bench of this Court in Ahmedabad St. Xavier's College Society v. State of Gujarat [(1974) 1 SCC 717].*

*17. Thus, the legal position adumbrated in Kerala Education Bill, Re [AIR 1958 SC 956] remains unchanged now."*

*5. At request of Mr.D.Ravichander, learned Special Government Pleader, list on 05.04.2022."*

2. This matter was adjourned to enable Mr.D.Ravichander to peruse the decisions as aforesaid. Today, he fairly states that upon perusal thereof, the same are applicable on all fours to the petitioner's case.

3. This writ petition is thus allowed and GO(MS) 89 dated 27.05.2019, Higher Education Department stands quashed, qua condition of five years stated therein, in regard to the minority status of the petitioner. No costs.

05.04.2022

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**DR. ANITA SUMANTH.J.**

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3. The Joint Director of Collegiate Education,  
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