



## **ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Equivalence of Degrees – Equivalence of Degrees offered by the various Universities / Educational Institutions to the similar Degrees – M.Sc, Material Science (2001-2003) offered by P.S.G. College of Technology, Coimbatore affiliated to Bharathiar University as to whether equivalent to M.Sc. Physics – Equivalent – Orders – Issued.

### **Higher Education (J1) Department**

G.O.(Ms) No. 252

Dated: 8.12.2021

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Read:

1. G.O.(Ms) No. 244, Higher Education (J1) Department, Dated 05.12.2016.
2. G.O.(Ms) No.49, Higher Education (J1) Department, Dated 08.03.2019.
3. The Orders of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No. 34362/ 2019, Dated 19.12.2019.
4. The Orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in W.P.No. 5801/ 2021, Dated 10.03.2021.
5. From the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education Letter No. 585/ 2019 A, Dated 03.12.2021.
6. Contempt Petition No. 1535 of 2021 before the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, Chennai.

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### **ORDER:-**

In the Government Order first order above, based on the recommendation on Item No.2 of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Equivalence Committee held on 15.11.2012, the Government direct that the following educational qualification passed by candidates be equivalent to the courses mentioned therein from the date of issuance of such degrees:-

<b>Name of the courses</b>	<b>Equivalent / Not Equivalent</b>
பொதுப் பணிகள் - கல்வித் தகுதிகள் - அண்ணா பல்கலைக்கழகம் வழங்கும் எம்.எஸ்.சி., மெட்டிரியல் சயின்ஸ் என்ற முதுகலைப் பட்டத்தை எம்.எஸ்.சி. இயற்பியலுக்கு பொதுவாக பொதுப்பணிகளில் எம்.எஸ்.சி. (இயற்பியல்) தகுதி படைத்த கல்வி என நிர்ணயிக்கப்பட்டுள்ள பதவிகளுக்கான நியமனத்தில் சமமாகக் கருதுதல் - தொடர்பாக.	Equivalent

2. In the Government Order second read above, among others the Government have issued orders that M.Sc Material Science (2001 - 2003) offered by PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore affiliated to Bharathiyar University is not equivalent to M.Sc Physics of Bharathiyar University (2001 - 2003) for the purpose of Employment in Public Services. based on the recommendation on item No. 82 of the 60<sup>th</sup> Equivalence Committee meeting held on 11.02.2019.

3. Thiru. P.M. Ponnusamy, Erode District has filed W.P.No. 34362/ 2019 praying to quash the orders issued in the Government Order second read above. The Petitioner in W.P.No.34362/2019 has stated that he has studied M.Sc. Material Science in PSG College of Technology affiliated to Bharathiar University (2001 - 2003). During 2002 - 2003, the affiliation of P.S.G. College of Technology, Coimbatore was transferred to Anna University. In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued that M.Sc. Material Science awarded by Anna University is equivalent to M.Sc. Physics. But in the Government Order second read above, orders were issued that M.Sc. Material Science offered by P.S.G. College of Technology affiliated to Bharathiar University is not equivalent to M.Sc. Physics. The High Court of Madras in its orders dated 19.12.2019 in W.P.No. 34362/ 2019 has quashed the orders issued in the Government Order second read above. The petitioner, Dr.P.M. Ponnusamy has filed another W.P.No. 5801/ 2021 with a prayer to consider his representations in the light of orders of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No. 34362/ 2019 dated 19.12.2019. The Hon'ble Court in its orders dated 10.3.2021 in W.P.No. 5801/ 2021 allowed the Writ Petition and directed the first and second respondents, the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department and the TANSCHÉ, to consider his representations dated 3.11.2020 and 17.12.2020 in the light of orders of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No. 34362/ 2019 dated 19.12.2019. The Petitioner has also filed Contempt Petition No. 1535/ 2021 in this case.

4. The Government after careful examination, in order to avoid the contempt from the Hon'ble Court in C.P.No. 1535/ 2021 and to comply the orders of the Hon'ble High Court dated 19.12.2019 in W.P.No. 34362/ 2019 and in W.P.No. 5801/ 2021 Dated 10.3.2021, based on the orders issued in the Government Order first read above, direct that the following Degrees offered by various Universities / Educational Institutions be equivalent to the similar degrees mentioned therein from the date of issuance of such degrees for the purpose of employment in Public Services and also direct that no person shall be eligible for appointment to any service, class, category or grade or any post borne on the cadre thereof, unless he possesses such special qualifications and has passed such special tests as may be prescribed in that behalf in the special rules; or possesses such other qualifications as have been declared to be higher than or equivalent to the said special qualifications or special tests, by the Government consultation with the Committee constituted in the Government and by the Government or by the appointing authority with the approval of the Government in other cases:-

