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The Hon'ble Governor, as the Chancellor of University of Madras has issued a Notification dated 06.09.2023 notifying the constitution of the Search-cum-Selection Committee for identification of candidate for appointment of the Vice Chancellor of the University and the same was also published in the website of Raj Bhavan, as well as made known to the public by a press release. The information of Notification was also published in the Tamil daily viz. 'Dhina Thanthi' dated 12.09.2023 and English daily viz. 'Times of India' dated 13.09.2023.

By an act of impropriety, the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, has issued a further notification of a Search-cum-Selection Committee by excluding the nominee of the UGC Chairman and the same is published in the Government Gazette on 13.09.2023, without adhering to the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and in violation of the same. The said notification published on 13.09.2023 is void ab initio, being contrary to the UGC Regulations and order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The said publication in the Government gazette is without any such authority from the Chancellor, being the head of the University and that the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, has no role in the affairs of the University and hence the Chancellor has called upon to withdraw the said Notification published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary.

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