

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 12.09.2018

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE S.VIMALA

W.P.NO.23778 of 2018

M/s.Topline Associates
rep.by its Partner, No.10/41, M.V.Bardan
Street, Anaikat Complex, Periamet,
Chennai - 600 003. Petitioner

Vs
The Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner
Employees' Provident Fund Organization
Regional Office, 37, Royapettah High Road
Chennai-600 014. Respondent

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus forbearing the respondent from initiating coercive proceedings in terms of Section 8-B to 8-F of EPF and MP Act against the petitioner in terms of its order No.TN/CHN/CC-1/12/TN/54379/Enf/2018-19 dated 31.07.2018 till the appeal filed by the petitioner before the Central Government Industrial Tribunal, Chennai is taken up for hearing.

For Petitioner : Mr.Bazaeer Ahamed

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The petitioner herein has filed the writ petition seeking direction to the respondent not to proceed with further proceedings till the Presiding Officer is appointed in the Central Government Industrial Tribunal cum Labour Court.

2. It is stated that the Central Government Industrial Tribunal cum Labour Court is not functioning as of now for want of Presiding Officer. It is not disputed that the Presiding Officer is yet to be appointed. On account of the non appointment, the petitioners are not able to prosecute the case before the tribunal. During the interregnum period the respondents are taking some coercive action against the writ petitioner, which is sought to be restrained by filing this writ petition.

3. As it is admitted that the Presiding Officer is yet to be appointed in the Central Government Industrial Tribunal cum Labour Court, this Court is inclined to consider the relief as such sought for in this writ petition.

4. Thus, the respondent is directed not to initiate any coercive action till the Presiding Officer is appointed in the Central Government Industrial Tribunal cum Labour Court and the stay petition is taken up for enquiry. Accordingly, this writ petition stands disposed of. Consequently, connected W.M.P. is closed. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS-V)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

The Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner
Employees' Provident Fund Organization
Regional Office, 37, Royapettah High Road
Chennai-600 014.

+1cc to Mr.Bazaeer Ahamed, Advocate SR.No.63390

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