



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 02.08.2018

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

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W.P. (MD) No.6530 of 2018

V.Ramakrishnan

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Collector,
Collectorate,
Sivagangai District.

2.Mr.N.Nageswaran

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to provide drought relief to the petitioner by considering the representation dated 21.03.2018 within the time stipulated by this Court.

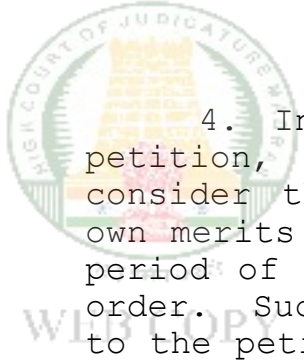
For Petitioner	: Mr.I.Pinaygash
For R-1	: Mr.J.Gunaseelanmuthiah Additional Government Pleader
For R-2	: No appearance

ORDER

Heard Mr.I.Pinaygash, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr.J.Gunaseelanmuthiah, learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the first respondent.

2.It is the grievance of the petitioner that his representation dated 21.03.2018, seeks for providing drought relief, has not been considered by the first respondent till date and therefore, he has filed the present writ petition.

3.This Court has not expressed any of its view with regard to the merits of the representation made by the petitioner. It is needless to point out that whenever a representation of this nature is made, the respondents are duty bound to consider the same in one way or the other. Non-consideration of the same would amount to dereliction of ordinary duties of their office and as such, this Court would be justified in invoking its powers conferred under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to direct them to consider the petitioner's representation within a stipulated time.



4. In view of the limited prayer sought for in this writ petition, there shall be a direction to the first respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 21.03.2018, on its own merits and take further action in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Such an exercise shall be done after giving due opportunity to the petitioner as well as to the second respondent and any other persons who may be interested in the subject matter.

5. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS-I)

To:

The District Collector,
Collectorate,
Sivagangai District.

+1CC to Mr.I.Pinaygash, Advocate, SR.No. 76733
+1CC to the Special Government Pleader SR.No. 77026

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