



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 11.07.2018

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

W.P.(MD) No.14928 of 2018

M.S.Hajiyar

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Revenue Officer

Office of the District Revenue Officer

Collectorate Campus

Dindigul Town & Dindigul District

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer

Office of the Revenue Divisional Officer

Kodaikanal, Dindigul District

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent to conclude the enquiry pertaining to the petitioner's appeal in Na.Ka.1685/2017/A2 and to pass orders within a stipulated time.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.N.Govardhanan

For Respondents : Mr.V.Anand
Government Advocate

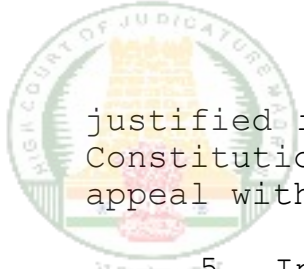
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Mr.V.Anand, learned Government Advocate, takes notice for the respondents.

2. By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

3. It is the grievance of the petitioner that his appeal in Na.Ka.1685/2017/A2 filed during June, 2017, has not been disposed by the respondents till date and therefore, he has filed the present writ petition.

4. This Court has not expressed any of its view with regard to the merits of the appeal filed by the petitioner. It is needless to point out that whenever an appeal of this nature is made, the respondents are duty bound to dispose the same in one way or the other. Non-disposal 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 dispose the petitioner's appeal within a stipulated time.

5. In view of the limited prayer sought for in this writ petition, there shall be a direction to the second respondent to dispose the petitioner's appeal in Na.Ka.1685/2017/A2 filed during June, 2017 on its own merits, within a period of three months 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 persons who may be interested in the subject matter.

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

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(Crl.Side)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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