



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.07.2018

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

W.P.(MD) No.16524 of 2018

M.Muthaiah

... Petitioner

vs.

1. The District Collector,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai.

2. The Tahsildar,
Devakottai Taluk Office,
Sivagangai District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ of mandamus, to direct the respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.04.2017 and to grant drought sheme amount to him.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Muthusamy

For Respondents: Mr.N.Shanmugaselvam

Additional Government Pleader

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Mr.N.Shanmugaselvam, learned Additional Government Pleader, 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 representation dated 11.04.2017 seeking to to grant drought sheme amount, has not been considered 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 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.

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5. In view of the limited prayer sought for in this writ petition, there shall be a direction to the second respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 11.04.2017 on its own merits and take further action in accordance with law, within a period of four 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 and any other persons who may be interested in the subject matter.

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

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar (AS)

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Sub Assistant Registrar (CS-1)

To:

1. The District Collector,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai.
2. The Tahsildar,
Devakottai Taluk Office,
Sivagangai District.

+ 1 CC TO Mr.P.MUTHUSAMY, ADVOCATE IN SR No. 75407

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