

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 18.10.2019

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

W.P.No.29801 of 2019

P.Ramkumar

... Petitioner

..Vs..

The Regional Deputy Commissioner (North),
Office of the Regional Deputy Commissioner,
Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.E-61, Basin Bridge Salai,
Royapuram, Chennai - 600 013.

.... Respondents

PRAYER : Petition filed Under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent herein to furnish those particulars as requested by the petitioner through Right to Information Act vide his letter on 02.07.2019 to the petitioner herein.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Ramesh

For Respondent : Mrs.Karthikaa Ashok

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The relief as such sought for in the present writ petition is for a direction to direct the respondent to furnish those particulars as requested by the writ petitioner under the Right to Information Act, in his Award dated 02.07.2019 to the writ petitioner.

2. The learned counsel for the writ petitioner submitted an application under the Provisions of the Right to Information Act to the respondent on 02.07.2019. The said application is not responded and therefore, the writ petitioner is constrained to move the present writ petition.

3. Under the Provisions of the Right to Information Act, if the Public Information Officer has not responded to the application, then the Information seeker has to approach the Appellate Authority namely the State Information Commission for

the redressal of the remedy. Thus, the petitioner has to exhaust the remedy under the Act by approaching the State Information Commissioner without exhausting the remedy provided under the Act and no writ petition can be entertained under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. Thus, the writ petitioner is at liberty to approach the State Commission for the redressal of his grievances.

4. Accordingly, the writ petition stands dismissed. No costs.

-s/d-

Assistant Registrar(CCC)

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

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The Regional Deputy Commissioner (North),
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