



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 23.10.2019

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M. GOVINDARAJ

W.P (MD) No.22422 of 2019

S.Maguthu Meeran

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Commissioner of Customs,
New Harbour Estate,
Customs House,
Tuticorin.

2.The Assistant Commissioner of Customs (Bonds),
New Harbour Estate,
Customs House,
Tuticorin.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a writ of Mandamus directing the 1st respondent to consider and pass appropriate orders on the representation dated 06/09/2019 for release the consignment of Paduk and Tali Wooden Logs from the custody of the respondents with bill of entry No.9850105 dated 30/01/2019 within a specified time frame that may be stipulated by this Hon'ble Court.

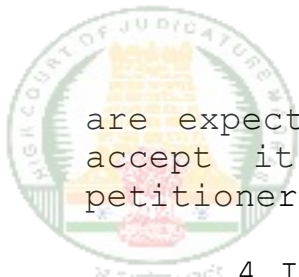
For Petitioner	: Mr.B.Janath Ahmed @ Janarth Kumar
For Respondents	: Mr.R.Aravindan

ORDER

Mr.R.Aravindan, learned counsel takes notice on behalf of the respondents. By consent, the writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.The petitioner is an importer of timber. He imported four containers from the port of Guinea, in which, two containers are released and other two containers are retained by the respondents without giving any reason or without passing any orders. Aggrieved over the same, he made a representation on 06.09.2019 for release of consignment of timber, which is under the custody of the respondents with bill of entry No.9850105 dated 30.01.2019. So far, the respondents have not passed any orders on the representation. Therefore, the petitioner is before this Court.

3.Once a representation is made, the statutory authorities



are expected to consider the same and take a decision either to accept it or reject it and communicate the decision to the petitioner.

4. In the instant case, the representation is pending from 06.09.2019. Therefore, a direction is given to the first respondent to pass appropriate orders on the representation of the petitioner dated 06.09.2019 within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. The writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar ()

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Sub Assistant Registrar (CS)

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To

1. The Commissioner of Customs,
New Harbour Estate,
Customs House,
Tuticorin.

2. The Assistant Commissioner of Customs (Bonds),
New Harbour Estate,
Customs House,
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+1 CC to M/s.B.JANATH AHMED@JANARTH KUMAR, Advocate (SR-93920[F]
dated 23/10/2019)

+1 CC to M/s.R.ARAVINDAN, Advocate (SR-94113[F] dated
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