

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO. 94 OF 2020

LALITA DILIP CHODANKAR.,

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF GOA, THR. CHIEF
SECRETARY, GOVT. OF GOA AND 3
ORS.,

... Respondents

Mr. Varun Bhandanker, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. D. Pangam, Advocate General with Ms. Ankita Kamat,
Additional Government Advocate for the Respondent nos.1, 2
and 3.

Coram:- M. S. SONAK &
SMT. M. S. JAWALKAR, JJ.

Date:- 4th February, 2020

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Heard Mr. Bhandanker, the learned Counsel for the petitioner
and Mr. Pangam, the learned Advocate General for the
respondent nos.1, 2 and 3.

2. For the order which we propose to make, it is really not
necessary to issue notice to respondent no.4.

3. The petitioner, it appears, has lodged a complaint against the
respondent no.4 which is pending adjudication before respondent
no.2 in the matter of allotment of a shack to respondent no.4.

4. Mr. Bhandanker, the learned Counsel for the petitioner, has pointed out that if this complaint is not adjudicated expeditiously, the tourist season will pass and the respondent no.4, on the basis of his illegal allotment, will reap an advantage which is really not due to him. He pointed out that there was delay in the issuance of show cause notice and there is no delay in disposal of the show cause notice.

5. The learned Advocate General, makes a statement that the Director of Tourism will dispose off the show cause notice dated 20.01.2020 as expeditiously as possible and, in any case, within a period of one month from today.

6. According to us, the aforesaid statement of the learned Advocate General redresses substantially the grievance of the petitioner. At the same time, since, the respondent no.2 is required to comply with principles of natural justice, no prejudice as such will occasion the respondent no.4 as well.

7. Therefore, by accepting the aforesaid statement made by the learned Advocate General and directing the Director of Tourism to act in accordance with the same, we dispose off this petition.

8. All concerned to act on the basis of the authenticated copy of this order.

SMT. M. S. JAWALKAR, J.

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