



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 01.06.2020

C O R A M

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.D.AUDIKESAVALU

W.P. (MD)No.4592 of 2017

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S.Karunakaran

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Sub-Registrar,
Otthakadai Sub-Registrar Office,
Rajakambeeram,
Madurai-625 107.

2.The Inspector General of Registrations,
100, Santhome High Road,
Chennai-600 028.

3.Ilangothai

4.S.Ramesh Babu

...Respondents

[R4 is impleaded vide Court order dated 22.03.2017 in
W.M.P. (MD)No.3882 of 2017]

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the constitution of India, to issue a writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the records relating to the registration of the impugned cancellation deed registered as Document No.188 of 2012 in the office of the First Respondent and quash the same and consequently direct the First Respondent to delete the said entry from his file in the light of this Court's order dated 05.08.2016 in the matter of W.P.(MD) No.10493 and 10535 of 2013 and M.P.(MD)No.1 of 2013.

For Petitioner : Mr.U.Kasipandian
For Respondents 1 & 2 : Mr.M.Alagathevan
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

When the matter was taken up for hearing through video conferencing, it is pointed out by Mr.M.Alagathevan, Learned Special Government Pleader, who takes notice for the First Respondent, that the Division Bench of this Court in **P.Rukumani -vs- Amudhavalli** [(2020) 1 CTC 241] has examined the question as to whether a Writ Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution challenging the validity of registration of document made under the Registration Act, 1908, could be entertained, and has held as follows :-

"9.Considering the submissions made at the bar, we are of the clear opinion that in a case relating to execution of a conveyance deed or a sale deed or cancellation thereof, if there is any dispute about the rights of the parties involved therein, the only appropriate remedy for the parties is to approach the Civil Court by way of civil suit.



The act of registration of a document is a consequential act which will be subject to decree of Civil Court in case such a dispute arises.

10. We are of the clear opinion that such a relief could not have been sought or granted in Writ Jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. The civil rights of the parties based on relevant evidence can only be determined by a Civil Court by a competent Civil Court and not by the writ Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. Such private rights of the parties cannot be made a subject matter of writ jurisdiction. The writ petitions under Article 226 of the Constitution of India lie only against the State or instrumentality of the State as defined under Article 12 of the Constitution of India. Therefore, such determination of private civil rights of the parties cannot be made subject matter of writ petition."

In view of the aforesaid submission made, Learned Counsel for the Petitioner seeks permission of this Court to withdraw the Writ Petition with liberty to the petitioner to institute suit invoking Section 31 of the Specific Relief Act, 1963, for necessary relief before the jurisdictional Civil Court. He has further informed that he would send a confirmatory e-mail to the Registrar (Judicial) of this Court to that effect, which shall be placed on record.

2. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is dismissed as withdrawn granting such liberty. It is also made clear that the period from the date of presentation of this Writ Petition (i.e., 16.03.2017) till the date on which certified copy of this order is made ready by the Registry, shall be excluded while computing the period of limitation for the proposed suit. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (Records)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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W.P. (MD) No. 4592 of 2017
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