

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 10.02.2021

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.VAIDYANATHAN

W.P.No.2775 of 2021

P.Ranjitham

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Commissioner,
Corporation of Chennai,
Rippon Building,
Chennai - 600 003.

2. The Zonal Officer,
Corporation of Chennai,
Zone XV, Sholinganallur,
Chennai 600 119.

.... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 13.07.2017 and 15.07.2020 regarding disbursement of Chennai City Corporation NMR Group Insurance amount on account of the demise of her husband Mr.Panner who died on 15.02.2013, within a time-frame.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Bala

For Respondents : Mr.Ganesan for R1

Mr.Gopinath for R2

O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed, seeking a direction to the respondents herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 13.07.2017 and 15.07.2020, regarding disbursement of Chennai City Corporation NMR Group Insurance amount on account of the demise of her husband Mr.Panner who died on 15.02.2013.

2. By consent of both sides, orders are passed in the writ petition. Mr.Ganesan, learned counsel takes notice for R1 and Mr.Gopinath, learned counsel takes notice for R2.

3. It is the case of the petitioner that the husband of the petitioner died on 15.02.2013 while in service as NMR under the Administrative Control of the respondents. As the Insurance amount has not been disbursed to the petitioner till date, ever after several representations, she has approached this Court by way of filing this writ petition.

4. In view of the limited prayer sought for by the petitioner and if the Petitioner's representation is already pending with the authorities concerned and, not disposed of earlier, this Court directs the respondents to consider the representations of the petitioner dated 13.07.2017 and 15.07.2020 and pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. The petitioner shall furnish her phone number, email ID, if any, etc., along with a copy of the representations dated 13.07.2017 and 15.07.2020 and this order, to the respondents forthwith. The respondents are directed to communicate the decision taken on the representation, to the petitioner within a period of three weeks from the date of decision taken thereon, by way of SMS/Email/registered post/speed post, so that there is no need for the parties to file contempt after expiry of the specified period. In case the authorities concerned fail to send communication to the parties, they will have to face the civil imprisonment in case of contempt proceedings and, if they are unable to serve the order and the cover being returned un-served for one reason or the other, the same shall be kept in the file without opening it for the proof of attempt of delivery, so that the parties, at a later point of time, will not take a plea that she is not aware of the order.

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

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