



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.02.2021

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M. S. RAMESH

W.P. (MD) No.1924 of 2021

N.Veerappan

...Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Registrar of Co-operative Societies,
No.170, EVR Periyar High Road,
Kilpauk, Chennai-10.

2.The Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies,
Dindigul Region, Dindigul District.

3.The Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies,
Dindigul Circle, Dindigul District.

4.The President,
D.D 116 Dindigul Co-operative Primary
Agricultural & Rural Development Bank Ltd.,
No.58, New Aagurakaram Palani Road,
Dindigul.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to disburse the earned leave salary of 47 days and provident fund arrears amount of Rs.37,488.35/- to the petitioner along with accrued interest from 30.06.2009 stipulated period to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Marimuthu

For Respondents : Mr.P.Mahendran
Additional Government Pleader

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By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.Since the petitioner's request to the respondents to disburse the earned leave salary of 47 days and provident fund arrears amount of Rs.37,488.35/- to him along with accrued interest was not considered, the Writ Petition has been filed. According to the petitioner, he has made a representation in this regard on 17.11.2020, which is still pending.



3. It is needless to point out that whenever a representation of this nature is made to a Statutory Authority, there is a duty cast upon the respondents to consider the same on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in one way or other, instead of keeping the same pending indefinitely. As such, non-consideration of the representation by the Statutory Authority would amount to dereliction of duty and hence this Court will be justified in invoking its extraordinary powers under Article 226 of Constitution of India and direct them to consider the same within a stipulated time.

4. In the light of the above observations, it would be appropriate to direct the fourth respondent herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 17.11.2020, within a stipulated time and thereby the ends of justice could be secured. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any of its view with regard to the merits of the claim of the petitioner and that it is open to the concerned respondent to consider the same on its own merits.

5. Accordingly, there shall be a direction to the fourth respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 17.11.2020, on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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