



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **06.06.2022**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MR. JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH**

W.P. (MD)No.10809 of 2022

K.Palaniyandi

... Petitioner

/vs./

1.The Principal Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 600 009.

2.The Commissioner of Revenue Administration,
Ezhilagam,
Chepauk,
Chennai - 600 005.

3.The District Collector,
Virudhunagar District,
Virudhunagar - 626 002.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent i.e., the Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Chennai to sanction the eligible DCRG to the petitioner within a specified time frame that may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.S.Visvalingam
For Respondents	:	Mrs.D.Farjana Ghoushia Special Government Pleader

ORDER

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

2.The petitioner herein had given a representation to the respondents on 22.11.2021 seeking for sanction of the eligible DCRG to him. Since the said representation was not considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

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, there shall be a direction to the first and second respondents herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 22.11.2021 on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any of its views 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. With the above direction, the Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS-I)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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+1 CC to M/s.SPL.GP (SR-24423[F] dated 07/06/2022)

+1 CC to M/s.S.VISVALINGAM, Advocate (SR-24542[F] dated 08/06/2022)

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