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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09.02.2023

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THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE **C.V.KARTHIKEYAN**

W.P.No.2538 of 2023

1.R.Vasantha
2.K.Raja

.. Petitioners

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Vellore District,
Sathuvachari Vellore.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Gudiyatham,
Gudiyatham Taluka,
Vellore District.

3.R.Munusamy
4.R.Ravi
5.R.Chandavel
6.R.Venkatesan

.. Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st respondent, District Collector, Vellore to dispose the appeal dated 29.11.2022 filed by the petitioners and consequently direct the 1st respondent to cancel the settlement deed executed by the petitioners and registered as Doc. Nos.2358



of 1993, 2359 of 1993, 2360 of 1993, 2361 of 1993 dated 02.08.1993
registered at SRO Katpadi.

For Petitioner .. Mr.N.Sampath

For R1 to R2 .. Mr.P.Rajarajeswari,

Government Advocate

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed in the nature of Mandamus seeking a direction to the 1st respondent / District Collector, Vellore, to dispose of the appeal dated 29.11.2022, which had been filed by the petitioners.

2.The learned Government Advocate had taken time to get necessary instructions.

3.In view of the fact that the appeal is now pending before the 1st respondent, it may not be proper on my part to examine the merits of the case. At any rate, since the 1st respondent / District Collector, Vellore, as a statutory authority, he/she ought to follow the principles of natural justice and dispose of the appeal. The appeal should be disposed of after giving opportunity to all concerned on or before 31.03.2023.



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4. With the above observations, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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