



W.P.No.5184 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23.02.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

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I.Vairavan

...Petitioner

Vs

1.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Secretary to Government,
Commercial Taxes and Registration Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.

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

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st respondent to dispose the appeal filed by the petitioner on 30.09.2022 on the file of the 1st respondent expeditiously.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Saravanan

For Respondents : Ms.Indhumathi,
Government Advocate



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ORDER

With the consent of both parties, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The limited prayer sought for in this Writ Petition is for a direction to the first respondent herein to dispose of the appeal preferred by the petitioner dated 30.09.2022 within a stipulated time.

3. It is needless to point out that whenever a statutory appeal is preferred before the Appellate Authority, there is a duty cast on them to dispose of the appeal expeditiously. Non-compliance of such a responsibility would amount to dereliction of duties and this Court would be justified in directing the authority to dispose of the appeal within a stipulated time, in exercise of its powers under Article 226 of Constitution of India.

4. In the light of the above observations, there shall be a direction to the first respondent herein to dispose of the petitioner's appeal petition dated 30.09.2022, if not already dispose of, on its own merits and in



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accordance with law, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above direction, the Writ Petition stands ordered. No costs.

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Index:Yes/No

Speaking order/Non-speaking order

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To

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