



W.P.No.10597 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.04.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

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P.Santhalingam

...Petitioner

Vs

1.The Inspector General of Registration,
No.110, Santhome High Road,
Chennai - 600 028.

2.The Deputy Inspector General,
Registration Department,
6/1, G.R.D. Road, Red Fields,
Coimbatore - 641 018.

3.The District Registrar,
Registration Department,
Collectorate Campus,
Coimbatore.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent herein to dispose of the appeal bearing Letter No.3659/E2/2019 dated 21.11.2019 within a time frame.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Mukunth, Sr. Counsel
for Ms.T.R.Gayathri

For Respondents : Mr.Yogesh Kannadasan,
Special Government Pleader

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 second respondent herein to dispose of the appeal preferred by the petitioner dated 21.11.2019 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 him to dispose of the same 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 the Constitution of India.



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4. In the light of the above observations, there shall be a direction to the second respondent herein to dispose of the petitioner's appeal petition dated 21.11.2019, if not already disposed of, after giving due opportunity to the petitioner, on its own merits and in 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 disposed of.

No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking order/Non-speaking order

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