



W.P.No.30109 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16.10.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

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P.Mahendran

...Petitioner

Vs

1.The Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation,
Fort St. George, Chennai - 600 009.

2.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Coimbatore) Ltd.,
Coimbatore.

3.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Coimbatore) Ltd.,
Shathi Branch, Erode.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd and 3rd respondents to dispose of the petitioner's appeal dated 31.09.2019.



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For Petitioner : Mr.M.Selvam
For R1 : Mrs.V.Yamuvadevi,
Special Government Pleader
For R2 & R3 : Mr.Murali Vinodh,
Standing Counsel

ORDER

With the consent of both the parties, this 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 and third respondents herein to dispose of the appeal preferred by the petitioner dated 31.09.2019 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



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stipulated time, in exercise of its powers under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

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 31.09.2019, if not already disposed of, 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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Speaking order/Non-speaking order

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