



W.P. No. 32642 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 22.11.2023

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.D. AUDIKESAVALU

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K.Rajesh

... Petitioner

-VS-

1. The Central Provident Fund Commissioner
Right to Information Cell
Employees Provident Fund Organization
Head Office, 14, Bhikaiji Cama Place
New Delhi-110 066.
2. The Ministry of Labour and Employment
(First Appellate Authority)
Government of India
Employees Provident Fund Organization
Additional/Central Public Information Officer
Right to Information Cell
Head Office, 14, Bhikaiji Cama Place
New Delhi – 110 066
Under RTI Act 2005.
3. The Regional Provident Fund Commissioner
Employees Provident Fund Organization
Royapettah, Chennai – 600014.

... Respondents

Prayer:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, 1950, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the First and Second Respondents to furnish the information asked in the letter dated 10.04.2023 and 29.05.2023 within such reasonable time as this Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.



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For Petitioner : Mr. P.Raghunathan
for M/s. T.S.Gopalan & Co.

For Respondents : Mr. T.L.Thirumalai (for R1 & R2)

ORDER

Heard Mr. P.Raghunathan, Learned Counsel for the Petitioner and Mr. T.L.Thirumalai, Learned Counsel appearing for the First and Second Respondents and perused the materials placed on record, apart from the pleadings of the parties.

2. Having regard to the nature of order proposed to be passed in the Writ Petition, which would not cause any prejudice to the Third Respondent, notice to him is dispensed with.

3. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner submits that in lieu of the information sought earlier from the First and Second Respondents, the Petitioner has sent a fresh application dated 20.11.2023 seeking information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as 'the RTI Act' for short), through the registered post and its copy has been placed on record. Learned



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Counsel appearing for the First and Second Respondents has received its copy.

In view of the same, it is represented that the earlier applications are not pursued.

4. It shall be incumbent upon the concerned authority to take appropriate action on the application dated 20.11.2023 made by the Petitioner under the RTI Act following the prescribed procedure in accordance with law and depending upon its outcome, the Petitioner shall determine the further course of action in the matter.

In the result, the Writ Petition is disposed with the aforesaid observations.

No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

NCC: Yes/No

Note: Issue order copy by 22.05.2024.

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To

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