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W.P.No.21924 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 06.08.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

W.P.No.21924 of 2024
and W.M.P.No.23912 of 2024

Vidhya Megavannan

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The State Of Tamilnadu,
Represented By Its Secretary To Government
of Health And Family Welfare Department,
St George Fort ,Chennai-600 009.
2. The Commissioner,
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Rippon Building, Chennai-600 003.
3. The Regional Deputy Commissioner (Central),
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Rippon Building, Chennai-600 003.
4. The City Health Officer,
Greater Chennai Corporation, (Public Health Department),
Rippon Building, Chennai-600 003.
5. The Zonal Welfare Officer,
Greater Chennai Corporation, (Public Health Department),
Zone VII, Ambattur, Chennai-600 053.
6. The Zonal Officer,



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7. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Ambattur Revenue Divisional Office,
Anna Nagar West Extension, Chennai-600 040.

8. The Tahsildar,
Ambattur Taluk Office,
Ambattur, Chennai-600 053.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, calling for records pertaining to the impugned order dated on 27.02.2024, order vide Ma.A7.Ma.A7/Na.Ka.No.18224/2024 passed by the 5th respondent and to quash the same and consequently to grant a direction directing the respondents to correcting the error made by the 5th respondent thereby to change the petitioner husband Mother name from (unknown)Sumathi Natarajan to Rani Natarajan.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Yuvaraj
For R1, R7 and R8 : Mr.C.Kathiravan
Special Government Pleader
For R2 to R6 : Mr.S.Gopinathan
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed challenging the order passed by the fifth respondent dated 27.02.2024, thereby rejected the request made by the petitioner to change her mother-in-law's name as Rani Natarajan from Sumathi Natarajan.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials



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available on record.

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3. The petitioner's husband died on 27.09.2023 leaving behind the petitioner, minor daughter and her mother-in-law. The petitioner applied for death certificate of her deceased husband. She was issued with a death certificate on 11.10.2023. She found that her mother-in-law's name has been mentioned as Sumathi Natarajan instead of Rani Natarajan. Therefore, the petitioner submitted a representation to the fifth respondent to change the name of her mother-in-law as Rani Natarajan. However, the petitioner did not furnish any material to show that her mother-in-law name is Rani Natarajan. Therefore, the request made by the petitioner was rejected, on the ground that there is no provision to change the name of the person under Section 15 of the Registration of Birth and Death Act, 1969.

4. A perusal of records revealed that the petitioner did not even produce any single material to show that her mother-in-law name is Rani Natarajan. However, the learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has all documents to show that her mother-in-law name is Rani Natarajan.

5. In view of the above submission, the petitioner is at liberty to submit a



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fresh application with all material evidence to show that her mother-in-law name is Rani Natarajan, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On receipt of the same, the fifth respondent is directed to consider the same and pass orders on merits and in accordance with law.

6. With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous petition is closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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