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W.P.No.20028 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 05.06.2025

CORAM :
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE N.MALA
Writ Petition No.20028 of 2025

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Appellate Authority (RTI Act, 2005)
District Collector Office,
Namakkal Taluk,
Namakkal District.

2.The Public Information Officer,
Department of Adi Dravidar Welfare,
District Collector Office Campus,
Namakkal.

3.The Public Information Officer,
The Tahsildar Office,
Kumarapalayam Taluk,
Namakkal District-637209

..Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India,
praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to
furnish the information sought by the petitioner in his RTI application dated



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12.03.2025 and to dispose of his appeal dated 19.04.2025 pending before the

1st respondent and to pass such further or others.

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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arun Pandi
For Respondents : Mr. V. Manoharan, AGP

ORDER

Seeking directions to the 2nd respondent to furnish the information sought by the petitioner in his RTI application dated 12.03.2025, and to dispose of his appeal dated 19.04.2025, pending before the 1st respondent, the present writ petition is filed.

2. Mr.V Manoharan, learned Additional Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents.

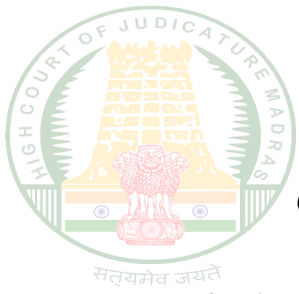
3. By consent of both the parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

4. The case of the petitioner is that the petitioner is an advocate and social activist in Namakkal District. He submitted an application dated 12.03.2025 under RTI, seeking information regarding the issuance of patta to



one Mr. Ramakrishnan and also the details of any subsequent land acquisition proceedings under the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, in respect of land in Survey No. 136/1B1, Kokkarayanpet Village. Despite the RTI application being received by the authorities on 17.03.2025 and a subsequent statutory appeal under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act on 19.04.2025, there was no response or information provided by the respondents-authorities. Hence, the petitioner filed the present writ petition seeking directions to the respondents-authorities to provide information based on his application submitted under RTI on 12.03.2025 and to dispose of the appeal petition dated 19.04.2025 pending before the 1st respondent.

5. Though many grounds were raised in support of the writ petition, the learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that it would suffice if, this Court issues a direction to the 2nd respondent to furnish information sought by the petitioner in his RTI application dated 12.03.2025 and to dispose of the appeal dated 19.04.2025, pending before the 1st respondent, within a time frame fixed by this Court.



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6. In view of the above facts and considering the limited relief sought

for by the learned counsel for the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case, I direct the 1st respondent, to consider the application submitted by the petitioner under RTI on 12.03.2025, by taking steps to dispose of the appeal dated 19.04.2025, and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. With the aforesaid direction, this writ petition is disposed of.

No costs.

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Index	:	Yes/No
Speaking Order	:	Yes/No
Neutral Citation	:	Yes/No

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