



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09-09-2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE C. SARAVANAN**

**WA No. 3010 of 2024
and
CMP No. 22570 of 2024**

1.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Arakkonam, Ranipet District.

2.The Tahsildar,
Nemili Taluk,
Ranipet District.

Appellant(s)

Vs

R.K.Thukkaram

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, to set aside the order dated 15.12.2023 passed in WP No.34513 of 2023 and allow the above WA.

For Appellant(s): Mrs.Akila Rajendran, GA



For Respondent(s): Mr.Jeremiah Gregory John

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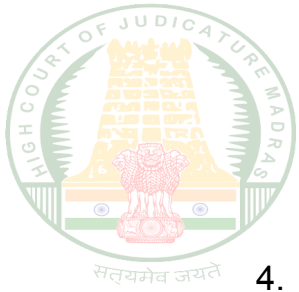
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(Judgment was delivered by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

The writ order dated 15.12.2023 passed in W.P.No.34513 of 2023 is under challenge in the present writ appeal.

2. The respondent filed a writ petition seeking a direction to the appellants to pass orders on his application dated 03.03.2023 for grant of patta in respect of the respondent's land in S.Nos.92 and 540/2, Reddivalam Village, Nemili Taluk, Ranipet District having an extent of 4500 Sq.ft.

3. The learned Single Judge considered the issues and directed the appellants/Department to issue circular in regard to dispose of the application within a stipulated time and to comply with Court orders. Accordingly, the Department issued a circular, specifying procedures and timelines for disposing of such matters.



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4. In the present case, since the appellants have not disposed of the patta application submitted by the respondent within the timeline fixed in the circular, the learned Single Judge directed the Chief Secretary, Government of Tamil Nadu, to initiate disciplinary action against concerned officials. Hence, this writ appeal was filed.

5. The matter was later listed for reporting compliance and by order 19.02.2024, the Writ Court recorded that the order had been complied with.

6. In respect of the patta application submitted by the respondent, the learned Government Advocate would also reiterate that the application submitted by the respondent seeking patta had already been disposed of. Therefore, initiation of disciplinary action against the appellants as directed by the writ court may not be required.

7. Considering the fact that patta application submitted by the respondent had already been disposed of and the direction issued by the Writ



Court has been complied with, the finding that disciplinary action to be initiated

by the Chief Secretary in paragraph 7, alone is set aside. Consequently, the

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Writ Appeal stands allowed in-part. No costs. The connected Miscellaneous

Petition is closed.

(S.M.SUBRAMANIAM J.)(C.SARAVANAN J.)

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