



**WP No.38193 of 2024**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS**

**DATE : 02.01.2025**

**CORAM**

**THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE P.T.ASHA**

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K.Latha

... Petitioner

Vs.

The District Collector/

Arbitrator under National Highways Act, 1956,

Cuddalore District,

Cuddalore.

... Respondent

Prayer: This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India

for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to dispose of the

appeal filed by the petitioner as against the award dated 31.08.2021 in

Na.Ka.LA/NH/Aa1/39/2014 passed by the competent Authority cum Special

District Revenue Officer (LA) NH 45A (&) 227, Cuddalore.

For Petitioner

: Mr.D.Baskar

For Respondent

: Mr.A.Selvendran

Special Government Pleader

**ORDER**



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Aggrieved by the fact that the appeal filed by the petitioner on 19.01.2022 challenging the award dated 31.08.2021, has not been disposed of to date, the petitioner is before this Court.

2. Heard Mr.D.Baskar, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.A.Selvendran, learned Special Government Pleader for sole respondent.

3. The petitioner's property comprised in Survey No.59/2A1A measuring 291 Sq.ft. In Lalpuram Village, Chidambaram Taluk, Cuddalore District was acquired for the purpose of NH45A. The award has been passed on 31.08.2021 granting a compensation of Rs.13,27,499/-. Aggrieved by the low compensation that has been granted, the petitioner has preferred the said appeal, which has been kept pending without any enquiry from January 2022.

4. Considering the fact that the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent, who is the statutory authority named under the Act to hear the appeal has failed to discharge his duties, the Mandamus is issued to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to dispose of the appeal



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within a period of one month from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

5. This Writ petition is allowed accordingly. No costs.

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To

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**P.T.ASHA.,J**



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