



W.P.(MD) No.4512 of 2025

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED:20.02.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.B.BALAJI

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S.Ravi @ Ravikumar

... Petitioner

VS.

The State Information Commissioner,
Block No.19, Government Farm Village,
Panepet, Nandanam,
Chennai-600 035.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to consider the petitioner's second appeal dated 07.08.2024 and dispose in accordance with law which is pending before the respondent under the RTI Act, 2005 within a stipulated time as fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Masilamani

For Respondent : Mr.Raguvaran Gopalan
Standing Counsel



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ORDER

Considering the limited scope of the relief sought for in the writ petition, with the consent of the learned counsel on either side, the writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.The petitioner has sought for information regarding the legal heirship certificate of one Asiyamariyam. The application was rejected by the Public Information Officer. Hence, the petitioner preferred an appeal on 05.06.2024. It was also rejected by the Appellate Authority stating that the information sought for pertains to third party information and hence, there was prohibition to furnish the information under the Right to Information Act, 2005. Aggrieved by the said concurrent orders, the petitioner has preferred the second appeal before the respondent on 07.08.2024. The petitioner only seeks expeditious disposal of the said second appeal, which is pending without any progress on the file of the respondent.

3.Heard the learned counsel on either side.



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WEB COPY 4. Considering the limited scope of the relief sought for, without going into the merits of the second appeal, this Writ Petition is allowed with a direction to the respondent to consider and pass final orders on the petitioner's second appeal, dated 07.08.2024, within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, without seeking any further extension of time. No costs.

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NCC: Yes/No

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