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W.P.No.4417 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 18.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

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and

W.M.P.Nos.4901 and 4904 of 2026

M/s.ZedBee Technologies Pvt Ltd.,
Rep by its Director
Shri.Ankit Poddar

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State Tax Officer (FAC),
Adyar Assessment Circle,
Room No.244, II Floor,
Integrated Building for Commercial Taxes and Regn Dept.,
(South Tower), Nandanam
Chennai – 600 035.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, to call for the records relating to passing of the impugned order bearing reference No.ZD330225230737J dated 22.02.2025 passed by the Respondent and quash the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.Mohammed Zuhayr S
for Mr.G.Natarajan

For Respondent : Mr.C.Harsharaj
Special Government Pleader



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ORDER

Mr.C.Harsharaj, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for the Respondent.

2. This Writ Petition is being disposed of at the stage of admission itself with the consent of the learned counsel for the Petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader for the Respondent.

3. In this Writ Petition, the Petitioner has challenged the impugned Order dated 22.02.2025, which was preceded by a Show Cause Notice in GST DRC-01 dated 27.11.2024 wherein the Petitioner was called upon to appear for personal hearing. However, the Petitioner had not taken advantage of the same and thus, suffered the impugned Order dated 22.02.2025.

4. It is noticed that the limitation for filing an appeal under Section 107 of the respective GST enactments, 2017 against the impugned Order has already expired. The present Writ Petition has been filed only on 27.01.2026.

5. At this stage, the learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner is willing to pre-deposit 25% of the disputed tax and the same



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may be appropriated from the amount that has been already recovered from the Petitioner's Electronic Credit Register as a condition for *denovo* adjudication.

6. The learned counsel for the Petitioner has also made an endorsement to that effect in the Court bundle.

7. Under similar circumstances, Orders have been quashed and cases have been remitted back to the Respondent to pass a fresh order on terms subject to such Assessee depositing 25% to 100% of the disputed tax depending upon the length of delay in approaching the Court. I do not find any reason to take a different view in this case.

8. Therefore, to balance the interest of both parties viz., the Assessee and the Revenue, the case is remitted back to the Respondent to pass a fresh order on merits subject to the Petitioner depositing 25% of the disputed tax in cash or from the Petitioner's Electronic Credit Register within a period of thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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9. Within such time, the Petitioner shall also file a reply to the Show Cause Notice in GST DRC-01 dated 27.11.2024 together with requisite documents to substantiate the case by treating the impugned Order dated 22.02.2025 as an addendum to the Show Cause Notice dated 27.11.2024.

10. Needless to state, any amount recovered from the Petitioner / paid by the Petitioner, towards the tax liability confirmed vide impugned order, shall be adjusted towards the aforesaid pre-deposit of 100% as ordered above. This will be however subject to verification by the Respondent.

11. In case the Petitioner complies with the above stipulations, the Respondent shall proceed to pass a final order on merits and in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably, within a period of three (3) months of such reply/pre-deposit. Subject to the Petitioner complying with the above stipulations, the attachment of the bank account of the Petitioner if any, shall also stand automatically vacated.

12. It is made clear that bank attachment shall be lifted subject to the Petitioner depositing 25% of the disputed tax as ordered above and the



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Petitioner not being in arrears of any other amount for any other tax period
barring the amount demanded under the impugned Order.

13. In case the Petitioner fails to comply with any of the stipulations, the Respondent is at liberty to proceed against the Petitioner to recover the tax in accordance with law as if this Writ Petition was dismissed *in limine* today.

14. Needless to state, before passing any such order, the Respondent shall give due notice to the Petitioner.

15. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the above observations. No costs. Connected Writ Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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Neutral Citation: Yes / No
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