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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

WP No. 14451 of 2026

T. Karunakaran

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Inspector General of Registration
100, Santhome High Road,
Mullima Nagar, mandavelipakkam,
Raja Annamalaipuram,
Chennai 600 028

2. The District Registrar (Admin)
Chennai North, Rajaji Salai,
Chennai 600 001

..Respondent(s)

Directing the 2nd Respondent to dispose the Petitioners Representation dated 20.06.2025 within a time frame fixed by this Honble Court

For Petitioner(s): Ms.G. Arulselvi

For Respondent(s): Mr.U.Baranidharan,SGP

Order

This writ petition has been filed to direct the second respondent to refund the stamp duty in respect of the un-used stamp papers, which are the subject matter of the petitioner's representation dated 20.06.2025, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.



2. According to the petitioner, the stamp papers, which are the subject matter of the petitioner's representation are unused and have now become useless. Hence, the petitioner seeks for refund of the stamp duty. The petitioner had given a representation on 20.06.2025 to the second respondent for the aforesaid purpose. Since the said representation has not been considered, the petitioner has filed this writ petition.

3. Mr. U. Baranidharan, learned Special Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. He would submit that the representation of the petitioner is barred by limitation.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner is disputing the same. He would submit that since the stamp paper was not put to use, the petitioner is entitled for refund.

5. This Court is not expressing any opinion on the merits of the respective contentions.

6. No prejudice would be caused to any of the parties if the petitioner's representation, as stated supra, is considered, on merits and in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.



7.This Court is not expressing any opinion on the merits of the petitioner's representation.

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8.For the foregoing reasons, this writ petition is disposed of by directing the second respondent to pass final orders, on merits and in accordance with law on the petitioner's representation dated 20.06.2025 seeking for refund of the stamp duty in respect of the un-used stamp papers, within a period of 12 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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