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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

WP No. 21470 of 2024 AND WMP NO. 23448 OF 2024

Mr.N.C.Alexander

T/h-24, Anna Fruit Market, Koyambedu,
Chennai-600 092, Rep By Its Proprietor
N.C.Alexander

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Commissioner Of Customs

Chennai Ii, Commissionerate, Custom House,
No.60, Rajaji Salai, Chennai-600 001

2. Additional Commissioner Of Customs

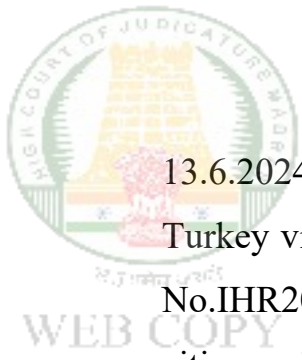
Group(1), Office Of The Commissioner Of
Customs, Chennai Ii (imports)no.60, Rajaji
Salai, Chennai-600 001

3. Assistant /deputy Commissioner Of Customs

(group 1) Office Of The Commissioner Of
Customs, Chennai Ii(imports) No.60, Rajaji,
Salai, Chennai-600 001

..Respondent(s)

directing the respondents more particularly the 3rd respondent to
assess and cause release of goods imported vide Bill of Entry No.3971725 dated



13.6.2024 pertaining to import of apples of various grades and counts from Turkey vide the above referred Bill of Entry covered under commercial invoice No.IHR2024000059014 dated 29.03.2024 pending clearance contrary to the citizens charter adopted by the office of the respondents and contrary to the law laid down by this Honourable court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.Mukilan

For Respondent(s): Mr.K.Umesh Rao, SC

For R1 to R3

Order

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the subject goods pertaining to the bill of entry, morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition, have been provisionally released to the petitioner. He would submit that the detention certificate has not been issued to the petitioner. He prays for a direction from this Court to permit the petitioner to give a representation to the respondents to seek for a detention certificate and a direction be issued to the respondents to consider the same, on merits and in accordance with law within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2.Since the goods, which are the subject matter of the bill of entry, morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition, have been released to the petitioner subsequent to the filing of this writ petition, this writ petition is disposed of.



3.Liberty is granted to the petitioner to submit a representation to the respondents seeking for issuance of detention certificate, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On receipt of such a representation from the petitioner within the stipulated time, the respondents shall consider the same, on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of 12 weeks thereafter.

4.With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. Consequently, connected WMP is closed. No costs.

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To

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