THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE RAMESH RANGANATHAN WRIT PETITION NO.24930 OF 2011

ORDER:

Failure on the part of the 2nd respondent in passing orders on the stay application filed by the petitioner in Appeal No.F2/6297/2009, against the order of the 3rd respondent dated 23.12.2008, is questioned in this Writ Petition as being arbitrary and illegal.

Heard Sri Kishore Rai, Learned Counsel for the petitioner, the Learned Government Pleader for Revenue (Telangana Area) and Sri S. Tulasidas, Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of 4th to 17th respondents.

Learned Government Pleader for Revenue (Telangana Area) states that in view of the earlier boycott by the staff, the petitioner's application could not be taken up, and that the 2nd respondent would consider the stay petition filed by the petitioner at the earliest.

While several contentions are urged by Sri Kishore Rai on merits, I consider it wholly inappropriate to examine any of them in as much as the petitioner has already invoked the jurisdiction of the 2nd respondent against the orders of the 3rd respondent.

It is not in dispute that the appeal preferred by the petitioner is pending consideration before the 2nd respondent. I consider it appropriate, therefore, to dispose of the Writ Petition directing the 2nd respondent to pass orders in the stay petition, filed along with

the appeal, at the earliest and, in any event, not later than two weeks from today. The interim orders of *status quo* granted earlier will continue for a further period of two weeks. The Writ Petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.

Date: 31.10.2011

RAMESH RANGANATHAN, J

Note: Issue copy in two days.

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