THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M.SATYANARAYANA MURTHY WRIT PETITION NO.19675 OF 2020

ORDER:

This writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following relief:

"to issue Writ Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in not considering nor initiating action on the representations dated 25.07.2020 respectively filed by the petitioners seeking payment of compensation for the petitioners land, acquired by the respondents, as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to the provisions of Land Acquisition Act and consequently direct the respondents to forthwith consider and initiate action on the representations within a time bound frame."

Though the petitioners made several allegations against the respondents, during hearing, learned counsel for the petitioners requested this Court, without touching the merits of the case, to issue a direction to the respondents to dispose of the representation of the petitioners dated 25.07.2020.

Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue readily agreed to dispose of the representation of the petitioners dated 25.07.2020, if any pending with the authorities.

In view of the submission of the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue, I need not decide the truth or otherwise of the allegations made in the petition. This Court is conscious that no such direction be issued, in view of the judgment of the Apex Court in "The Government of India v. P.Venkatesh¹", wherein the Apex Court held that such orders may make for a quick or easy disposal of cases in overburdened adjudicatory institutions. But, they do no service to the cause of justice. As the learned counsel for the petitioners himself requested to issue a direction to dispose of the

¹ 2019 (8) SCALE 544

representation dated 25.07.2020, I find no other alternative except to issue such direction.

In the result, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to dispose of the representation of the petitioners dated 25.07.2020, in accordance with law, within four (4) weeks from today. No costs.

The miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall also stand closed.

JUSTICE M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

22.10.2020

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