IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN MONDAY, THE 1ST DAY OF AUGUST 2022 / 10TH SRAVANA, 1944 WP(C) NO. 24672 OF 2022

PETITIONER:

PRAMOD N, AGED 47 YEARS
S/O. NARAYANA KURUP, KAMALALAYAM, PANNIVIZHA,
ANANDAPALLY P.O, ADOOR, PATHANAMTHITTA DISTRICT- 691
525, (EX- CONDUCTOR, KSRTC, KASARAGOD DEPOT).

BY ADV N.SASIDHARAN UNNITHAN

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 KERALA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION,
 REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR, TRANSPORT BHAVAN, FORT,
 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM- 695 023.
- 2 CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR, KERALA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION, FORT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM- 695 023.
- 3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (ADMINISTRATION)
 KERALA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION, FORT,
 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM- 695 023.
- DISTRICT TRANSPORT OFFICER, KERALA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION, KASARGOD DEPOT, KASARGOD 690 501.

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THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 01.08.2022, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

Amidst the various assertions, allegations and averments made and urged in this writ petition, the learned counsel for the petitioner - Sri.N.Sasidharan Unnithan, confined his plea that the competent Authority of the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) be directed to take up Ext.P8 statutory appeal and dispose it of within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. Smt.Ummul Fida, learned counsel representing the learned standing counsel for the KSRTC, submitted that there is no legal impediment for the competent Authority to take up Exhibit P8; but prayed that this Court may not make any affirmative declarations as to the entitlement of the petitioner to any relief and leave it to the competent Authority to take a decision on it in terms of law. She added that she is making this submission because there is a delay of more than four years in making Ext.P8 and that this may also be allowed to be kept in mind by the competent Authority, while the same is disposed of.

Taking note of the afore submissions and without entering into the merits of any other contentions of rival parties, I allow this writ petition directing the Chairman and

Managing Director of the KSRTC to take up Ext.P8 and dispose it of, after affording an opportunity of being heard to the petitioner; thus culminating in an appropriate order thereon, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment.

Sd/- DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN

JUDGE

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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 24672/2022

PETITIONER EXHIBITS

Exhibit P1	A TRUE COPY OF THE APPOINTMENT ORDER NO. PL 12/006005/05 DATED 17.05.2005 ISSUED TO THE PETITIONER FROM KSRTC.
Exhibit P2	TRUE COPY OF LETTER NO. E1/2041/18/KCDE DATED 9.5.2018 OF THE 4TH RESPONDENT ISSUED TO THE PETITIONER.
Exhibit P3	TRUE COPY OF THE APPLICATION DATED 24.5.2018 OF THE PETITIONER SENT TO THE 4TH RESPONDENT.
Exhibit P4	TRUE COPY OF THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATES SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER TO THE 4TH RESPONDENT.
Exhibit P5	TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION DATED 18.09.2018 OF THE PETITIONER SUBMITTED TO THE 4TH RESPONDENT.
Exhibit P6	TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER NO. PL11/000806 / 2018 DATED 1.10.2018 OF THE 3RD RESPONDENT.
Exhibit P7	TRUE COPY OF THE REQUEST OF THE PETITIONER SUBMITTED TO THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE KSRTC.
Exhibit P8	TRUE COPY OF THE APPEAL DATED 12.7.2022 OF THE PETITIONER SENT TO THE 2ND RESPONDENT.