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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO.340 OF 2024

Gurudas Naique

... Petitioner

Versus

Village Panchayat, Siridao,
Palem And Ors.

... Respondents

Ms Arya S. P. Parrikar, Advocate for Petitioner.

Mr Pranay A. Kamat, Advocate for Respondent No.1.

Mr Dharmanand R. Vernekar, Advocate for Respondent No.3.

**CORAM: M.S. KARNIK &
VALMIKI MENEZES, JJ.**

DATED: 21st August, 2024

P.C.

Heard learned Counsel for the parties.

2. The grievance of the Petitioner is against the construction put up by the respondent No.3 without any permissions and licences. The demolition notice was issued by the Village Panchayat which is stayed. It is brought to our notice by Respondent No.3 that an appeal has been filed by the Respondent No.3 under Section 66 of the Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 before the Directorate of Panchayat, Panaji, Goa. The impugned demolition notice is stayed till the next date of hearing. We find that there

are no reasons recorded in the order granting ex-parte stay. In this view of the matter and even the learned Counsel for the Respondent No.3 submits that the Petitioner will be impleaded as a party respondent in the pending appeal No.ADP/382/2024.

3. The next date of hearing is 30.08.2024. A copy of the Appeal Memo will be served by the Respondent No.3 on the Petitioner. The Petitioner to appear before the Additional Director of Panchayat on 30.08.2024. Upon hearing the appellant as well as the Petitioner, the Additional Director of Panchayat to consider the prayer for continuation or otherwise of the ex-parte stay which has been granted. We further request the Additional Director of Panchayat to decide the appeal expeditiously on merits and in any case by 31.10.2024.

4. All contentions are kept open.

5. Petition is disposed of. No costs.

VALMIKI MENEZES, J.

M.S. KARNIK, J.