# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH HIGH COURT DIVISION (SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

#### Writ Petition No. 4894 of 2021.

### **IN THE MATTER OF:**

An application under Article 102 of the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

-And-

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

Kulsum Bibi and others.

...Petitioners

#### **-VERSUS-**

Land Survey Tribunal, Narail and others.

.....Respondents

No one appears

.....For the petitioners

Mr. Md. Amjad Hossain Murad, Advocate

....For the respondents No.2-7.

Mr. Sk. Shaifuzzaman, DAG with

Ms. Rehana Sultana, AAG and

Mr. Md. Salim Azad, AAG and

Mr. Md. Samiul Alam Sarkar, AAG and

Ms. Zulfia Akhter, AAGs

.... For the respondents

#### **Present:**

Mr. Justice K.M. Kamrul Kader

And

Mr. Justice Khizir Hayat

## Heard and Judgment On: 17.01.2024.

### K. M. Kamrul Kader, J:

On an application under Article 102 of the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh this Rule Nisi was issued on 22.06.2021, in the following terms:

"Let a Rule Nisi be issued calling upon the respondents No.1-7 to show cause as to why the impugned judgment and decree dated 28.01.2021 (decree signed on 31.01.2021) passed by the learned Joint District Judge of the Land Survey Tribunal, Narail in Land Survey Tribunal Case No.149 of 2017 (Annexure-'D' and 'D-1') should not be declared to have been made without lawful authority and is of no

legal effect and/or such other or further order or orders pass as to this Court may seem fit and proper."

This Rule Nisi was issued on the ground that the Government has not yet been established any Land Survey Appellate Tribunal under Section 145B of the SAT Act. Due to this reason, the petitioners have failed to redress their grievances by filing appeal against the order, judgment and decree passed by the concerned Tribunal.

Mr. Sk. Shaifuzzaman, learned Deputy Attorney General submits that the government has already been published Gazette for establishing Land Survey Appellate Tribunal in different districts and the petitioners of the writ petition may redress their grievances by filing appeal, before the respective Land Survey Appellate Tribunal of the respective districts and as such, he prays for discharging the Rule.

It appears that in the meantime, the Government has already established the Land Survey Appellate Tribunal in the respective districts vide Gazette notification dated 11.07.2023 to hear the appeal arising out of judgment and decree and/or order of the Land Survey Tribunal in different districts. Considering the facts and circumstances of the matter, we are of the view that the petitioners may redress their grievances by filing appeal, before the Land Survey Appellate Tribunal, Narail and as such, the Rule issued by this Court has became infructuous.

In the result, the Rule is disposed of with direction. The petitioners are at liberty to prefer appeal within 03(three) months from the date of receipt of the order, if any, before the Land Survey Appellate

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Tribunal, Narail and in preferring such appeal delay occurred, if any,

shall be condoned.

In the meantime, the order of stay and status quo granted at the

time of issuance of the Rule shall continue till filling of the appeal before

the Land Survey Appellate Tribunal or 03(three) months from the date of

receipt of this order, whichever is earlier.

The learned Advocate for the petitioners are permitted to take

back the certified copies of the annexures by substituting the Photostat

copy of the same.

There is no order as to costs

Office is directed to communicate the judgment and order to the

petitioners and the respondents at once.

Khizir Hayat, J:

I agree.