

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

**Writ Petition No. 1630 of 2023.**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

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

-And-

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

Mostafa Shikder and others

...Petitioners

**-V E R S U S-**

Land Survey Tribunal, Dhaka and others.

.....Respondents

Mr. Md. Abdul Alim Miah Jewel, Advocate

.....For the petitioners

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: 08.11.2023.**

**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 06.02.2023, 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 16.06.2022 (decree signed on 20.06.2022) passed by the learned Judge, Land Survey Tribunal, Dhaka) in Land Survey Tribunal Suit No.1898 of 2021 decreeing the suit ex-parte (Annexure-C and C-1) should not be declared to have been passed 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 grievance 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, [Dhaka](#) and as such, the Rule issued by this Court has become infructuous.

In the result, the Rule is discharged without any order as to costs. The Petitioners are at liberty to prefer appeal, if any, before the Land Survey Appellate Tribunal 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.

Communicate the judgment and order at once.

**Khizir Hayat, J:**

I agree.