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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA**  
**GOA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**  
**NATIONAL LOK ADALAT**  
**Sitting:- 8th January, 2022**

Panel - 1: SHRI JUSTICE R.M.S. KHANDEPARKAR  
(FORMER JUDGE OF HIGH COURT OF  
BOMBAY AT GOA & PRESIDING OFFICER &

SHRI BALKRISHNA SARDESSAI (ADVOCATE)  
MEMBER &

SHRI JOHN A. LOBO (ADVOCATE)  
MEMBER

**FIRST APPEAL NO.122 OF 2012**

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
WD. III, (PHE-N) PWD, AND ANR. ... Appellants  
VS  
EGIDIO BRAGANZA ... Respondent

Ms. P. Kamat, Additional Government Advocate for the State.  
Mr. P. Sawant, Advocate for the Respondent.

**WITH**  
**XOB NO.1/2013**

EGIDIO BRAGANZA ... Cross-Objector  
VS  
THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
WD. III, (PHE-N) PWD, & ANR. ... Respondents

Mr. P. Sawant, Advocate for the Respondent/Cross-Objector.  
Ms. P. Kamat, Additional Government Advocate for the State.

**WITH**  
**FIRST APPEAL NO.75 OF 2014**

THE EXECUTIVE  
ENGINEER WD. III, (PHE-N)  
PWD, AND ANR. ... Appellants  
VS  
VILASI CHANDRU GOMES @  
MAMTA MOHANDAS VADYEKAR  
AND 8 ORS. ... Respondents

Ms. P. Kamat, Additional Government Advocate for the State.

Mr. P. Sawant, Advocate for the Respondent.

**MINUTES**

1. Advocates for the parties present. Mr. Uttam Shetye, Assistant Engineer present. On instructions from the concerned officer, it is informed by the learned advocate for the Government that there is no possibility of amicable settlement in the matter and the Government wants to go ahead with the hearing of the matter on merits.

2. The proceedings relate to the years 2012 and 2013. The matter came up before the Lok Adalat for the first time on 11.04.2015. It was adjourned from time to time on number of occasions to facilitate the parties to arrive at amicable settlement in the matter, more particularly,

considering the fact that the acquisition is of hardly 2000 sq.mtrs. of area at Curca near Bambolim.

3. The amount awarded was ₹1800/- for the acquisition done in the year 2007. Unfortunately, the authority seems to be adamant in insisting for such an amount is quite low considering fact that we are informed that at the relevant time the market value of the land in the area was ₹3000/- per sq.mtr.

4. Be that as it may, in the facts and circumstances of the matter, we are left with no alternative than to request the Registry of the High Court to refer the matter back to the High Court for disposal thereof on merits.

SHRI JUSTICE R.M.S. KHANDEPARKAR  
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