

word 'no' is added and accordingly, the same shall be read as '... that there is *no* monitoring either by the Assistant Registrar or the Deputy Registrar, being the in-charge of the concerned Section'.

4. The rest part of the order shall remain intact.

5. In pursuance to order dated 1st December, 2025 passed by this Court, the learned Registrar General has submitted report.

6. We have perused the report submitted by learned Registrar General dated 06.12.2025, as also the explanation furnished by Dealing Assistant, Assistant Registrar and Deputy Registrar of the concerned section and gone through the Office Orders whereby works has been assigned to the Assistant Registrars and Deputy Registrar.

7. It is evident from the report so submitted by learned Registrar General wherein reference of Order No. 02 dated 28.02.2002, kept at flag A, has been made, under the caption '*Rules of Business and Order of Allocation of Duties*', whereby the Assistant Registrar-I (Judicial) has been assigned with the duty of In-charge of all the Civil Judicial Sections including First Appeal Section and is responsible for reading each and every order/judgment passed by this Court and taking steps for their compliance.

8. Similarly, the Deputy Registrar-I has jurisdiction over L.P.A. and First Appeal and related (Civil) Judicial Matters

and is responsible for overall monitoring of work at all stages. Further, Notices dated 29.11.2017 and 01.12.2017 [kept at flag-D and E] have been referred, wherein it has been directed that all judicial (civil) and criminal matters requiring compliance shall be routed through the Assistant Registrar (Judicial)-I.

9. In addition, Standing Order.02/Accts. dated 21.09.2022 [kept at flag-F] has been issued directing that all the file movements, listing, inter-sectional records movement and compliance-related work must be undertaken under the supervision and upon endorsement of the Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar (In-Charge), who must ensure that no delay occurs in compliance of any order/direction of Hon'ble Court. It further mandates that any non-compliance by staff must be immediately reported to the higher authority.

10. Further, Office Order No. 40/Appt. dated 29.07.2024 [kept at flag-G], requires all Deputy Registrars [Non-Judicial] to visit their Sections daily, supervise work continuously, ensure zero pendency, check attendance of staff, and ensure timely compliance of all judicial orders within time.

11. Thus, it is evident that all the mechanism has been provided by the administrative decision taken by this Court but even then as per issue of the present case wherein 11 days has been caused in delaying the notice under Order V Rule 20. Then for what, such mechanism has been made for

monitoring both by the Deputy Registrar and the Assistant Registrar, as referred hereinabove.

12. This Court is of the view that if any system has been carved out that is for the purpose of smooth functioning of the system but it appears that in the present case 11 days delay has been caused and explanation furnished by the dealing Assistant that the notices have been found to be tagged with another file. This appears to be very serious laches on the part of the Registry.

13. The learned Registrar General is directed to look into the matter as to how this mechanism is to be strengthened and in case of any laches in following the decision taken by this Court, what effective measure is to be taken so that it may not occur in future.

14. The learned Registrar General is also to consider that we are here to look into the issue of litigants and if our Office will not be in a position to perform the duty even as per the decision so taken in the administrative side then for what purpose such decisions have been taken and for what purpose the hierarchy of the cadre has been made out. The posts have not been created for luxury but for smooth functioning of the system.

15. The Assistant Registrars/Deputy Registrars, as per their duty, are not only required to visit the Section but while visiting their Section they are required to apply their mind by

going through the files by checking each and every order and give their endorsement thereupon, as mandated in Order No.02/Accts dated 21.09.2022 and other administrative orders, so that there may not be defiance of the order passed by this Court ultimately prejudicing the interest of the parties [litigants].

16. The tagging of the document(s) of a particular file in different file is not a sheer negligence but it is dereliction of duty.

17. The learned Registrar General is further directed to look into the matter and take appropriate decision so that the things be not repeated in future.

18. Let a copy of this order be communicated in all the respective Sections including Assistant Registrar/Deputy Registrar cautioning that if in future such type of negligence will be found then they will be dealt with by initiating departmental proceeding.

19. Office is directed to proceed accordingly and list this case on the date fixed i.e., **12.01.2026**.

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

(Arun Kumar Rai, J.)

8th December, 2025

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