

IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL
DELHI BENCH : A : NEW DELHI

BEFORE SHRI R.K. PANDA, ACCOUNTANT MEMBER
AND
SHRI K. NARASIMHA CHARY, JUDICIAL MEMBER

ITA No.3969/Del/2015
Assessment Year: 2011-12

Neeraj Jain,
12/40, Raj Nagar,
Ghaziabad.

Vs. DCIT,
Central Circle,
Ghaziabad.

PAN: AAIPJ3549D

(Appellant)

(Respondent)

Assessee by	:	Shri Rakesh Jain (Brother of the assessee)
Revenue by	:	Shri S.K. Goel, CIT, DR
Date of Hearing	:	28.01.2019
Date of Pronouncement	:	28.01.2019

ORDER

PER R.K. PANDA, AM:

This appeal filed by the assessee is directed against the order dated 23rd March, 2015 of the CIT(A), Ghaziabad relating to Assessment Years 2011-12.

2. The facts of the case, in brief, are that the assessee is an individual. A search and seizure operation u/s 132 of the Income-tax Act was carried out on 9th September, 2010 at the office and residential premises of the assessee. The Assessing Officer

passed the order u/s 153A/143(3) of the Act on 31st March, 2013 determining the total income at Rs.67,81,766/-.

3. The assessee filed appeal before the CIT(A). However, due to non-appearance by the assessee despite service of notice, the CIT(A) in the *ex parte* order passed by him, dismissed the appeal filed by the assessee. Aggrieved with such order of the CIT(A), the assessee is in appeal before the Tribunal raising various grounds challenging the order of the CIT(A) in sustaining various additions made by the Assessing Officer.

4. The assessee appeared himself today at the time of hearing and tried to explain his case. However, it is seen that the Id.CIT(A) has passed an *ex parte* order due to non-appearance of the assessee on various dates. Considering the totality of the facts of the case and in the interest of justice, we deem it appropriate to restore the appeal to the file of the CIT(A) for fresh adjudication, after giving one final opportunity of being heard to the assessee. The assessee is also hereby directed to appear before the CIT(A) without seeking any adjournment under any pretext, failing which the Id.CIT(A) is at liberty to pass appropriate order as per law. We hold and direct accordingly.

5. In the result, the appeal filed by the assessee is allowed for statistical purposes.

The decision was pronounced in the open court on 28.01.2019 at the time of hearing itself.

Sd/-

(K. NARASIMHA CHARY)
JUDICIAL MEMBER

Sd/-

(R.K. PANDA)
ACCOUNTANT MEMBER

Dated: 28th January, 2019

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1. Appellant
2. Respondent
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4. CIT(A)
5. DR

Asstt. Registrar, ITAT, New Delhi