

आयकर अपीलीय अधिकरण 'ए' न्यायपीठ चेन्नई में।
IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL
'A' BENCH, CHENNAI

माननीय श्री मनोज कुमार अग्रवाल, लेखक सदस्य एवं
माननीय श्री मनु कुमार गिरि, न्यायिक सदस्य के समक्ष।
BEFORE HON'BLE SHRI MANOJ KUMAR AGGARWAL, AM
AND HON'BLE SHRI MANU KUMAR GIRI, JM

आयकर अपील सं. ITA No.405/Chny/2024
(निर्धारणवर्ष / Assessment Year: 2018-19)

Sasco Silencers Private Ltd. 12, Bhoopathy Nagar Keelkattalai Chennai – 600 117	बनाम/ Vs.	ITO Corporate Ward 3(1) Chennai – 600 034
स्थायी लेखासं./जीआइआरसं./PAN/GIR No. AAJCS-2218-J		
(अपीलार्थी/ Appellant)	:	(प्रत्यर्थी / Respondent)

अपीलार्थी की ओरसे/ Appellant by	:	Shri G. Tarun (Advocate) – Ld. AR
प्रत्यर्थी की ओरसे/ Respondent by	:	Shri ARV Srinivasan (Addl. CIT) – Ld. Sr. DR

सुनवाई की तारीख/ Date of Hearing	:	29-04-2024
घोषणा की तारीख / Date of Pronouncement	:	01-05-2024

आदेश / ORDER

Manoj Kumar Aggarwal (Accountant Member)

1. Aforesaid appeal by assessee for Assessment Year (AY) 2018-19 arises out of the order of learned Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), National Faceless Appeal Centre (NFAC), Delhi [CIT(A)] dated 20-12-2023 in the matter of penalty levied by Ld. AO u/s 270A for Rs.41 Lacs vide order dated 04-02-2022. It could be seen that during penalty proceedings, the assessee did not appear before Id.

AO. The position remained the same during appellate proceedings and accordingly, the penalty was confirmed against which the assessee is in further appeal before us.

2. The Ld. AR submitted that quantum appeal is pending before first appellate authority. The Ld. AR prayed that this appeal may also be restored back to the file of Ld. CIT(A) so as to enable the assessee to defend its case. The same has been opposed by Ld. Sr. DR.

3. Though the assessee has remained negligent, however, keeping in mind the principle of natural justice, we deem it fit to grant another opportunity to the assessee to substantiate its case. Accordingly, the impugned order is set aside and the penalty appeal is restored back to the file of Ld. CIT(A) for de novo adjudication after affording opportunity of hearing to the assessee. The assessee is directed to substantiate its case forthwith failing which Ld. CIT(A) shall be at liberty to proceed with disposal of appeal on merits.

4. The appeal stand allowed for statistical purposes.

Order pronounced on 1st May, 2024

Sd/-
(MANU KUMAR GIRI)
न्यायिक सदस्य / JUDICIAL MEMBER

Sd/-
(MANOJ KUMAR AGGARWAL)
लेखा सदस्य / ACCOUNTANT MEMBER

चेन्नई Chennai; दिनांक Dated : 01-05-2024
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आदेशकीप्रतिलिपिअग्रेषित/Copy of the Order forwarded to :

1. अपीलार्थी/Appellant
2. प्रत्यर्थी/Respondent
3. आयकरआयुक्त/CIT
4. विभागीयप्रतिनिधि/DR
5. गार्डफाईल/GF