IN THE HIGH COURT OF FIJI AT SUVA CIVIL JURISDICTION

Civil Case No. HBC 224 of 2020

BETWEEN: NASINU LAND PURCHANSE AND HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED

a co-operative society duly incorporated pursuant to the Co-operative Societies Ordinance Cap 219 and having its principal place of business at 68

Suva Street, Suva

PLAINTIFF

AND: ILIMO TURAGACATI of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 of Deposit

Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji

Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

FIRST DEFENDANT

AND: RAVAELE NAIVOSA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit

Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji

Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

SECOND DEFENDANT

AND: ESETA [Deceased] of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan

No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands

in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

THIRD DEFENDANT

AND: TAUFA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in

the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11

in the area known as Nadawa.

FOURTH DEFENDANT

<u>A N D:</u>

<u>SITI</u> of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

FIFTH DEFENDANT

AND:

<u>ALISI</u> of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

SIXTH DEFENDANT

AND:

MERE VIVITA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

SEVENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

BOLE AISAKE of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as a Nadawa.

EIGHTH DEFENDANT

A N D:

NAVITALAI [Deceased] of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

NINTH DEFENDANT

<u>A N D:</u>

LUSIA VESIKARA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

TENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

<u>TULIA RUVENI</u> of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

ELEVENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

<u>NEMANI</u> of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

TWELFTH DEFENDANT

AND:

<u>MELI TAUCILAGI</u> of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

THIRTEENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

SAIRUSI QIOLEVU of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

FOURTEENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

JOSEVA VESIKARA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

FIFTEENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

JONE of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

SIXTEENTH DEFENDANT

AND:

TEVITA KORORAU of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

SEVENTEENTH DEFENDANT

<u>A N D:</u>

INISE NAITELEKANA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

EIGHTEENTH DEFENDANT

AND: JOLAME LIGAITUKANA of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit

Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji

Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

NINETEENTH DEFENDANT

AND: SALACIELI MOLIDEGEI of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit

Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji

Islands in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

TWENTIETH DEFENDANT

AND: ROMANU of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No.

3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in

Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

TWENTY FIRST DEFENDANT

AND: THE OCCUPIERS of Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan

No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands

in Stage 11 in the area known as Nadawa.

DEFENDANTS

Appearance: Ms. Shoma Devan with Mr. Ashneil Nandan for the Plaintiff

The 3rd and 9th Defendants are deceased

The 11th, 12th, 16th, 17th, 19th and 21st defendants are absent and

unrepresented.

All the others defendants are present but appeared in person.

Date of Hearing: Friday, 13th May, 2022 at 9:00am

Date of Decision: Friday, 24th June, 2022 at 9:00am

DECISION

(A) Introduction

- [1] The matter before me stems from the plaintiff's Originating Summons, dated 29th July 2020 filed pursuant to Order 113 of the High Court Rules 1988 and the inherent jurisdictions of the court seeking the grant of the following orders:
 - 1. An Order under Order 113 of the High Court Rules of Fiji that the plaintiff do recover possession of the land comprised in Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on Deposit Plan No. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri in the Island of Viti Levu in the Fiji Islands in the area known as Nadawa, stage 11 on the ground that it is entitled to the possession and that the persons in occupation are in occupation without license or consent.
 - 2. Such further or other relief as this Honourable Court may deem fit.
- The Originating Summons is supported by an affidavit of 'Satya Narayan', the Chief Executive Officer of the Plaintiff, sworn on 29th July 2020. The 01st, 12th, 16th, 17th, 19th, 20th and 21st defendants did not file an affidavit in opposition. The 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 18th defendants filed an affidavit in opposition followed by an affidavit in reply there to. I note with concern that there is no formal application filed by the plaintiff to substitute the representatives of the deceased third and ninth defendant.
- [3] The plaintiff and the defendants were heard on the summons. They made oral submissions to court. In addition to oral submissions counsel for the plaintiff filed a careful and comprehensive written submission for which I am most grateful.

(B) The Law

[1] In order to understand the issues that arise in the instant case, I bear in mind the applicable law and the judicial thinking reflected in the following judicial decisions.

[2] The Order 113, rule (1) of the High Court Rules is in these terms:

Where a person claims possession of land which he alleges is occupied solely by a person or persons (not being a tenant or tenants holding over after the termination of the tenancy) who entered into or remained in occupation without his licence or consent or that of any predecessor in title of his, the proceedings may be brought by originating summons in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

- [3] Stephenson LJ in "<u>Wiltshire CC v Frazer</u>" ¹ went on to consider what the words of the rule require. They require:
 - [1] Of the plaintiff, that he should have a right to possession of the land in question and claim possession of the land which he alleges to be occupied solely by the defendant.
 - [2] That the defendant, whom he seeks to evict from his land [the land], should be persons who have entered into or have remained in occupation of it without his licence or consent [or that of any predecessor in title of this].
- [4] Justice Pathik in <u>Baiju v Kumar</u>², succinctly stated the scope of the orders as follows;

"The question for (the) Courts determination is whether the plaintiff is entitled to possession under this Order. To decide this Court has to consider the scope of the Order. This aspect is covered in detail in the Supreme Court Practice. 1993 Vol 1, O.113/108/1 at page 1602 and I state hereunder the relevant portions in this regard:

This Order does not provide a new remedy, but rather a new procedure for the recovery of possession of land which is in wrongful occupation by trespassers.

As to the application of this Order it is further stated thus:

The application of this order is narrowly confined to the particular circumstances described in r.1 i.e. to the claim for possession of land which is occupied solely by a person or persons who entered into or remain in

^{1 (1983)47} P & CR 69 at 76

² (1999) FJHC 20; HBC 298 J. 98

occupation without the licence or consent of the person in possession or of any predecessor of his. The exceptional machinery of this Order is plainly intended to remedy an exceptional mischief of a totally different dimension from that which can be remedied by a claim for the recovery of land by the ordinary procedure by writ followed by judgment in default or under O.14. The Order applies where the occupier has entered into occupation without licence or consent; and this Order also applies to a person who has entered into possession of land with a licence but has remained in occupation without a licence, except perhaps where there has been the grant of a licence for a substantial period and the licensee hold over after the determination of the licence (<u>Bristol Corp. v. Persons Unknown</u>) [1974] 1. W.L.R. 365; [1974] 1 All E.R. 593

[C] <u>The Factual Background</u>

- [1] What are the facts here? It is necessary to approach the case through its pleadings/ affidavits, bearing those legal principles uppermost in my mind.
- [2] The plaintiff in its affidavit in support deposed inter alia that:
 - 1. I am the Chief Executive Officer for the Plaintiff Co-operative and am duly authorized to depose to matters herein on its behalf.
 - 2. I am authorized by the Plaintiff Society by virtue of my position as the Secretary and the Chief Executive Officer to make this Affidavit on its behalf. I have either personal knowledge of the matters contained in this Affidavit or, where matters are not known personally to me, I have ascertained their truth by reference to the personnel of, and the files and records kept by the Plaintiff Society/or from sources specified. Where the contents are not within my knowledge, they are true to the best of my information, knowledge and belief. In identifying the sources of my information, I am not to be taken to be waiving any of the Plaintiff Society's legal privilege.
 - 3. That the Plaintiff is the registered owner of all that land comprised in Certificate of Title No. 3213, being Lot 1 on deposit plan no. 3130 which contains 326 acres and two roods ["the land"] and includes all that part of land described as stage 11 as per the Scheme Plan approved on 12h April 2015 and which land is situated at Nadawa,

- Nasinu. A true copy of the Certificate of Title is annexed hereto marked "SN-1" and a Scheme Plan for Stage 11 is annexed hereto marked "SN-2".
- 4. The Plaintiff functions as a co-operative and currently has more than 250 members who have paid purchase price to the Plaintiff to acquire respective individual lots from the Plaintiff's land.
- 5. The Plaintiff is in the process of subdividing, developing and conveying part of the land known as stage 11 in Nadawa to its members, which the Defendants are currently illegally occupying. The area which is being developed and illegally occupied by the Defendants is delineated and marked on the approved scheme plan annexed hereto as "SN-2".
- 6. The delineated area known as "Nadawa Squatter Settlement" as per the scheme plan forms part of Certificate of Title No. 3213. The said scheme plan has been lodged with the Town & Country Planning Department of Fiji and has been approved by the Department of Town and Country Planning on 16 April 2015. A copy of the approval letter dated 16 April 2015 is annexed hereto marked "SN-3".
- 7. The Plaintiff has previously obtained order for eviction against some squatters from the same area of land however since the filing of that earlier eviction proceedings, more squatters have moved to illegally occupy the Plaintiff's land. Many squatters have built temporary shelter like homes without the knowledge, consent and authority of the Plaintiff. A copy of eviction Order given in civil High Court Action is annexed hereto marked "SN-4".
- 8. Apart from the Defendants who are named to this proceedings, there are still other occupiers who refuse to identify themselves when served with notice to quit.
- 9. The Plaintiff has been carrying out development works at stage 11 for construction of roads and provisions of drainage and utilities so that the lots as per the subdivision plan can be then transferred to its members. Annexed hereto marked "SN-5" are photographs showing the current state of the development works.
- 10. I also annex hereto marked "SN-6" some photographs of the dwellings of the above named Defendants and other occupiers who are currently illegally occupying the area.
- 11. The Defendants named herein are illegally occupying **part of the said land known** as **"stage 11"** which belongs to the Plaintiff without licence, consent or authority from the Plaintiff and have illegally built their dwellings and are squatting on the said land.

- 12. The Defendants herein have been served notices on 11 July 2020 to quit however they have willfully refused and/or neglected to vacate the Plaintiff's land. Copies of respective notices are annexed hereto and marked "SN-7".
- 13. That despite receiving the said Notice, the Defendants and the other unnamed occupiers have willfully refused and /or neglected to quit the said property.
- 14. I am legally advised that the Defendants have no legal or equitable rights to remain on the said property and therefore ought to deliver vacant possession of the same.
- 15. I therefore pray for Orders in terms of the Originating Summons filed herewith.

[D] Consideration and the determination

- [1] The Nasinu Land Purchase and Housing Co-operative Society Ltd, as plaintiff, seeks an order that it recover possession of the land comprised in Certificate of Title No. 3213, being Lot 1 on deposit plan No. 3130 which contains 326 acres and two roods [annexure SN 1] on the ground that it is entitled to possession and that the 21 named defendants to these proceedings and persons unknown to the plaintiff are illegally occupying a part of the said land known as Stage II as the scheme plan approved on 12.04.2015 [Annexure SN 2].
- [2] The Stage II forms part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title No. 3213.
- [3] The plaintiff on 26.06.2020 had requested the defendants to vacate the land in stage II and notified them that if they failed to do so within 7 days, the plaintiff would take legal proceedings. The defendants did not vacate the land by the time laid down in the notice.
- [4] The Originating Summons which instituted these proceedings was issued by the plaintiff on 30-07-2020 against 21 named defendants and other persons unknown to the plaintiff.
- [5] The plaintiff submitted to court a copy of Certificate of Title No. 3213, as annexure SN 1. It is a duly certified Instrument of Title. Section 18 of the Land Transfer Act specifically provides that duly certified copy of Instrument of Title to be conclusive

evidence of proprietorship unless the contrary is proved by the production of register or a certified copy thereof.

[6] As I understand the Plaintiff's affidavits:

- The plaintiff claims that it is the registered owner of land comprised in Certificate of Title No. 3213 being Lot 1 on DP Plan number 3130 which contains 326 acres and two roods and includes all that part of land described as Stage II as per the scheme plan approved on 12.04.2015. [Annexure SN 1 and SN 2 referred to in the affidavit of Satya Narayan, sworn on 29.07.2020].
- It is a freehold land which is owned in fee simple which comprised of 386 acres.
- The Certificate of Title register volume 32, folio 3213 was issued on 04.01.1908 to Henry Mine Scott and Godfrey Garrick as trustees.
- On 22.05.1965, Henry Maurice Scott transferred the title register volume 32, folio 3213 to Nasinu Land Company Limited for a transfer consideration of \$26, 005.00 [transfer no. 91414, registered on 22.05.1965 is annexure SN 1 referred to in the affidavit in reply of Satya Narayan, sworn on 22.03.2021].
- Subsequently, Nasinu Land Company Ltd transferred 326 acres of Land in Certificate of Title register volume 32, folio 3213 to the plaintiff, namely Nasinu Land Purchase and Housing Co-operative Society Ltd for a consideration sum of \$59, 500.00. [The transfer no. 102844 is annexure SN -2 and referred to in the affidavit in reply of Satya Narayan sworn on 22.03.2021].
- The transfer no. 102844 was not subject to any encumbrance, charge or prior leases, or lien.
- A mortgage was also registered when the plaintiff acquired a separate new title to the 326 acres of land which new title was legally described as Certificate of Title No. 12468. [Annexure SN-3 and referred to in the affidavit in reply of Satya Narayan sworn on 22.03.2021].

- Since acquiring the said 326 acres of land, the plaintiff has carried out survey and subdivision to parts of the land.
- The lots that have been subdivided either have been transferred to cooperative members or sold to third parties.
- The original title [Register volume 32, Folio 3213] did refer to a Crown Grant Folio 605 for provisions and reservations contained therein. The Crown Grant was cancelled on 07th November 1889, well prior to the transfer of title to Nasinu Land Company Limited and the plaintiff herein. A copy of the Crown Grant and cancellation endorsement noted there in is annexed marked SN -4 referred to in the affidavit of Satya Narayan sworn on 22.03.2021.
- [7] In "Wiltshire CC v Frazer" "3 Stephenson LJ said that for a party to avail himself of the Order 113, he must bring himself within its words. If he does so, the court has no discretion to refuse him possession. Stephenson LJ [at para 77], went on to consider what the words of the rule require. They require:
 - (1) Of the plaintiff, that he should have a right to possession of the land in question and claim possession of the land which he alleges to be occupied solely by the defendant.
 - (2) That the defendant, whom he seeks to evict from his land [the land], should be persons who have entered into or have remained in occupation of it without his licence or consent.
- [8] Have those requirements met in this case? Does the plaintiff have a right to possession of the land which meets the first of the requirement set out by Stephenson LJ and the defendants have no right which they can pray in aid to justify their continued possession.
- [9] As I understand the pleadings and the written submissions of counsel for the plaintiff, the plaintiff does rely upon its title to bring the action to recover possession. I note that, as per the Certificate of Title No: 3213 (annexure SN -1) and a scheme plan approved on 12.04.2015 (annexure SN-2) the property in question was conveyed to the plaintiff on 28.12.1967. The transfer no. 102844 is annexure SN

³ [1983] 47 P & CR 69 at 76

- -2 and referred to in the affidavit in reply of Satya Narayan, the Chief Executive Officer for the plaintiff's sworn on 08.12.2020. The transfer no. 102844 is not subject to any encumbrance, charge or lien.
- [10] Therefore, the plaintiff became the registered proprietor of the land in question on 28.12.1967 and has remained the registered owner of the land in question. The plaintiff has proved a right to possession of the land which meets the first of the requirement set out by Stephenson LJ in Wiltshire CC.
- [11] Now the defendants carry the burden of establishing by affidavit evidence that they have a legal right to be on the land in question.
- [12] I note with concern that the 1st, 12th, 16th, 17th, 19th, 20th and 21st defendants did not file an affidavit in opposition to the plaintiff claim for vacant possession. It is a course which they were entitled to take. They should reply, if indeed they had a reply. And in the circumstances of the case, in the absence of a reply, I hold the inference inescapable that what the plaintiff has said to be true.⁴
- [13] I will now deal with the defences which were adumbrated by the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 18th defendants to the plaintiff's claim for vacant possession.
- [14] First, it was said that some of the defendants have been in possession of the land for the past 33 years while the others claimed that they have moved in there recently and they say that they have a right to occupy the land.
- [15] The defendants cannot rely on this as a defence to the plaintiff's claim for vacant possession because the defendants have not sought a "vesting order" under and in terms of section 78 of the Land Transfer Act of 1971.
- [16] Secondly, it was said that one "Sairusi" an agent or a servant of the plaintiff had verbally promised them that they could be allocated a piece of land to be transferred to them after survey and for a valid consideration.
- [17] I would not attach importance to this, because no acceptable documentary evidence has been placed on record to come anywhere near a finding that a board member of

⁴ Jai Prakash Narayan v Savita Chand FCA, Civil appeal No- 37 of 1985, Judgment 08-11-1985

the plaintiff co-operative society had agreed to give them a piece of land. Besides, "Sairusi", is not a board member of the plaintiff co-operative society.

- [18] Thirdly, it was said that the land in question was owned by Mataqali Matanikoro Vatu and Nayavutuka and was transferred to the plaintiff without the knowledge of the "Mataqalis".
- [19] This is not a possible defence to the plaintiff's claim for vacant possession.
- [20] The original title (Register volume 32, Folio 3213) does refer to a Crown Grant Folio 605 for provisions and reservations contained therein. But the Crown Grant has been cancelled on **07.11.1889**, a long time before the transfer of title to Nasinu Land Company Limited in **1965** and to the plaintiff herein in **1967**. Therefore, the provisions and the reservations in the Crown Grant is irrelevant now since the Crown Grant was cancelled in **1889**. (Annexure SN -4 referred to in the affidavit of Satya Narayan deposed on 22.03.2021).
- [21] I dismiss the defendants' defence that the land was held in trust for the customary owners. I gain assistance from the decision of Inoke J in the case of "Ratu Epeli Kanakana and Others v A.G and Native Land Commission⁵.
- [22] The land in question is a freehold land which is owned in fee simple. The transfer no. 102844 is not subject to any encumbrance, charge or lien. It is that once the plaintiff acquired title to the property in question in 1967, and registered it in its name and obtained the certificate of title , the same becomes conclusive, absolute and indefeasible [section 38 of the Land Transfer Act] subject to it being annulled on the ground of fraud [section 41]. This is the ratio of the Supreme Court decision in "Star Amusement Limited v Navin Prasad and five others"⁶,
- [23] Fourthly, the defendants claimed that they are descendants of the customary owner of the land and claim hereditary ownership. I cannot accept this. There is no material on which I could reach a conclusion.
- [24] It is essential to keep in mind that the defendants have been unable to place on record any acceptable material from the Department of Land, ITLTB, Mataqali and the Ministry of Itauki Affairs to refute the plaintiff's claim that the land in question is

⁵ High Court Lautoka Civil Action No: HBC 116 of 1995, Date of Judgment 22.12.2010.

⁶ [2012], CBV 0005.

a freehold land which is owned in fee simple. It is plain therefore that this is not a case in which the defendants could rely on the purported licence or permission from MATAQALI (not tendered in evidence) to continued possession and the defendants in occupation are in occupation without any claim of right, licence or consent obtained from the plaintiff.

- [25] It has been common ground that the land was conveyed to the plaintiff by conveyance in 1967. The plaintiff became and has remained the owner of the property since 1967. The plaintiff enjoyed title to the land since 1967. The plaintiff has not granted the defendants licence or permission to enter and occupy the land in question and therefore the defendants and others unknown have continued occupation without any claim of right, licence or consent and they are trespassers on the land. The plaintiff's right to occupy the land and be in possession arises from its title which has the protection of the law of trespass against intruders. Otherwise the law is powerless to correct a proved or admitted wrongdoing; and that would be unjust and disreputable. The plaintiff has title to bring an action for ejectment since there was trespass committed on the property.
- [26] An action for trespass can only be brought by a person who is in possession or who has a right to be in possession. The jurisdiction in question is a jurisdiction directed to protecting the right of the owner of the property to the possession of the whole of his property, interfered with by unauthorized adverse possession.
- [28] In my judgment, the plaintiff has a right to possession arising from title which meets the first of requirements set out by Stepheson LJ, and the defendants have no right which they can pray in aid to justify their continued possession. There is clearly no defence to the claim of possession.

(E) ORDERS

- The defendants and all unknown occupants of the property comprised in Certificate
 of Title No: 3213 being Lot 1 on deposit plan no. 3130 in the District of Naitasiri give
 vacant possession to the plaintiff.
- 2. The execution of the order for eviction is stayed till 8th July 2022 to allow the defendants to find alternative accommodation.

3. I make no order as to costs.



Jude Nanayakkara [Judge]

High Court - Suva Friday, 24th June, 2022