The petition filed by the petitioner under order IX Rule 13 of CPC is allowed. The exparte decree passed in PO.S. No. 178/2017 on 27-10-2017 is set aside and the suit is restored and reopened to its original file. The petitioner is permitted to contest the suit. The petitioner and respondent are hereby directed to appear before the court in O.S. No 178/2017 on 02-06-2018 without waiting further notice from this court. Office is directed to put up the file O.S.No. 178-2017 before this court on 02-06-2018.