

Court No. - 3

Case :- WRIT - C No. - 32710 of 2023

Petitioner :- Sukhveer Singh

Respondent :- State Of U.P. And 2 Others

Counsel for Petitioner :- A.K. Mishra, Ashish Kumar

Counsel for Respondent :- C.S.C., Baleshwar Chaturvedi

Hon'ble Siddhartha Varma, J.

Hon'ble Shekhar B. Saraf, J.

Instructions filed today be kept on record.

This writ petition has been filed questioning the demand notice of Rs. 7,34,925/- which has been sent to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that as per Section 56(2) of the Electricity Act, any amount which was overdue for more than two years could not be taken by the Electricity Department.

Learned counsel for the Electricity Department, however, has produced the ledger which shows that constantly bills were being generated. He submits that if the petitioner is a bonafide user, he should have approached the Electricity Department for his bills.

Learned counsel for the Electricity Department states that the petitioner has an efficacious remedy of getting his bills resolved in the one time settlement programme as had been promulgated by the Government Order dated 4.11.2023.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has agreed to approach the appropriate forum as per the Government Order dated 4.11.2023.

Having heard the learned counsel for the parties, we are of the view that if the petitioner approaches as per the Government Order dated 4.11.2023, the case of the petitioner shall be considered sympathetically and the problems with regard to the bills under the one time settlement shall be resolved.

With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

Order Date :- 11.12.2023

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(Shekhar B. Saraf, J.) (Siddhartha Varma, J.)