



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 30-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ

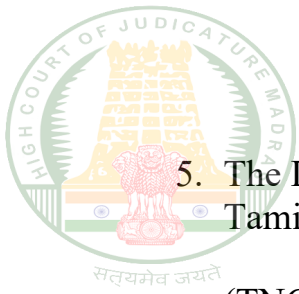
WP No.24634 of 2026

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Chairman,
District Legal Service Authority,
ADR Building, Combined Court Campus,
Tiruvallur.
2. The District Collector,
Office of District Collector,
Tiruvallur District,
Tiruvallur.
3. The Chairman Cum Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Ltd.,
(TNGEDCO),
No 144, Annasalai, 6th Floor,
Chennai.
4. The Superintending Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Ltd.,
(TNGEDCO),
SH 58A, Vellore Road,
Volimohammed Pettai,
Kanchipuram 631 502.



5. The Divisional Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Ltd.,
(TNGEDCO),
Tiruvallur Bye-Pass Road,
Tiruttani-631 209.

6. The Executive Engineer (O and M),
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Ltd.,
(TNGEDCO),
Arakkonam Road, Tiruttani 631 209.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue Writ of Mandamus, directing respondents to pay fair and reasonable enhanced compensation due to the death of petitioner's husband Govindaraj on the basis of petitioner's representation dated 13.03.2026, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.G.Jeremiah

For Respondent(s): Mr.P.Elayaraj Kumar
Government Counsel
for R1 and R2

Mr.L.Jai Venkatesh
Standing Counsel
for R3 to R6

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed for a direction to respondents to pay fair and reasonable enhanced compensation due to death of petitioner's husband Govindaraj on the basis of petitioner's representation dated

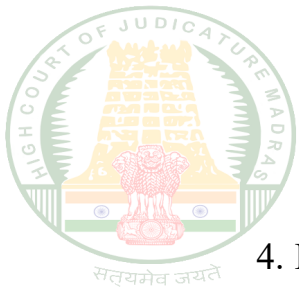


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2. This is the second round of litigation. In the earlier round of litigation, in W.P.No.23489 of 2024 dated 12.08.2024, this Court directed respondents to pay a compensation of Rs.5,00,000/- to petitioner, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of that order and after receipt of compensation, petitioner was at liberty to file a claim petition before the concerned District Legal Services Authority. Pursuant to the above orders of this Court, petitioner had approached the District Legal Services Authority claiming additional/enhanced compensation. The District Legal Services Authority vide proceedings dated 14.10.2025 granted an interim compensation of Rs.1,00,000/- in addition to Rs.5,00,000/-, which was already paid pursuant to the orders of this Court.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents 3 to 6 would submit that order of District Legal Services Authority is only interim in nature and final compensation would have to be decided by District Legal Services Authority. Petitioner can have grievance only after the final compensation is determined by District Legal Services Authority. However, learned counsel for petitioner would submit that he was informed by District Legal Services Authority that application has been finally disposed of vide proceedings dated 14.10.2025 although the order uses the nomenclature, interim compensation.



4. In view of the above, present prayer for a writ of mandamus appears to be premature. This Court is inclined to dispose of writ petition with following direction:

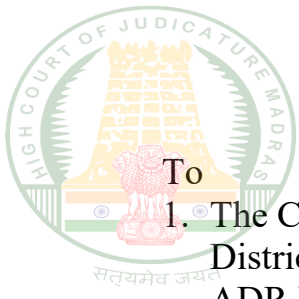
i) District Legal Services Authority shall clarify whether the order dated 14.10.2025 is by way of a final determination of compensation or interim compensation, if it is final determination If it is only interim payment of compensation, they shall proceed to determine the final compensation, within a period of eight weeks from the date of uploading of web copy without waiting for the receipt of certified copy.

ii) If petitioner is aggrieved, it is always open to petitioner to seek redressal in the manner known to law.

5. Registry is directed to mark a copy to District Legal Services Authority. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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