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**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED: 24.07.2026**

**CORAM**

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI**

**Cont.P.(MD).No.1863 of 2026**

**in**

**W.P(MD)No.23867 of 2025**

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... Petitioner

Vs

1.E.Simon Charles,  
The Superintendent Engineer,  
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC),  
Meenatchi Nayakanpatti,  
Dindigul-624 002,  
Dindigul District.

2.Sivaraman,  
The Executive Engineer,  
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC),  
Angunagar,  
Meenakshinayakanpatti,  
Dindigul District.

3.Lakshmi,  
The Assistant Electricity Engineer,  
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC),  
North Section, Vendasandur,  
Dindigul-624 710.

... Respondents



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**PRAYER:** Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act to punish the contemnors / respondents for willfully and deliberately disobeying the order of this Court made in W.P.(MD).No.23867 of 2025 dated 09.09.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Karunanidhi

For Respondents : Mr.S.Deenadhayalan, Standing Counsel

### **ORDER**

The present Contempt Petition has been filed alleging wilful non-compliance with the order passed by this Court in W.P.(MD).No.23867 of 2025, dated 09.09.2025.

2. By the said order dated 09.09.2025, this Court directed the respondents to consider the petitioner's request for electricity service connection as a fresh application and process the same in accordance with the applicable rules, as expeditiously as possible.

3. Alleging that the said direction has not been complied with, the petitioner has filed the present Contempt Petition.



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4. The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents submitted that the petitioner had originally applied for an electricity service connection in the year 1997 and that his seniority for grant of service connection matured in the year 2010. It is further submitted that, in compliance with the order of this Court, the petitioner's seniority has to be re-fixed along with similarly placed applicants in accordance with the prevailing Government orders and the applicable regulations. The learned Standing Counsel further submitted that the said exercise of re-fixation of seniority would be completed within a period of four weeks and thereafter the petitioner's claim for electricity service connection would be considered strictly in accordance with his revised seniority.

5. This Court has considered the submissions made on either side. It is seen that while passing the order dated 09.09.2025, this Court had directed the respondents to consider the petitioner's application as a fresh application and process the same in accordance with the rules as expeditiously as possible. No specific outer time limit was fixed by this Court for completing the exercise. In view of the submission made by the learned Standing Counsel that the process of re-fixation of seniority will be completed within a period of four weeks and the



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petitioner's application will thereafter be considered in accordance with law, this Court is of the view that no further orders are required in the present contempt proceedings.

6. Recording the above submission of the learned Standing Counsel, the Contempt Petition is closed. It is made clear that the respondents shall complete the exercise of re-fixation of seniority within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and thereafter consider the petitioner's application for electricity service connection strictly in accordance with law and the directions issued in the order dated 09.09.2025 passed in W.P.(MD).No.23867 of 2025.

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**M.DHANDAPANI, J.**

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