



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 14.05.2015

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE T.S.SIVAGNANAM

W.P. (MD) No.8204 of 2015

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Harshavardhan Cotton and Synthetics (P) Ltd.,
HTSC No.059094500157
Pushpathur - 624 618,
Palani Tk, Dindigul District.
Rep. By its Manager B. Vadivelu
.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. Tamil Nadu Electricity Board
rep. By its Chairman,
800, Anna Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.

2. The Superintending Engineer,
Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle,
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board,
Dindigul.

.. Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to permit the petitioner to pay the Additional Security Deposit of Rs.13,89,901/- alone in 8 equal monthly installments along with the regular current consumption charges.

For Petitioner

: Mr.R.S. Pandiyaraj

For Respondents

: Mr. A.V. Ramanathan

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The petitioner has filed this writ petition for issuance of writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to permit the petitioner to pay the Additional Security Deposit of Rs.13,89,901/- alone in 8 equal monthly installments along with the regular current consumption charges.

2. The petitioner is a private limited company and has been granted a HT service connection coming under the control of the second respondent. The petitioner has been issued a demand notice for payment of additional security deposit. The petitioner is willing to pay the amount and seeks permission to pay the same in eight equal monthly installments.

3. The learned standing counsel for the respondents submitted that in terms of rules, the additional security deposit could be paid in three equal monthly installments.

4. When an identical issue came up for consideration in W.A.(MD) Nos.407 and 408 of 2012 etc. batch, dated 02.08.2012, the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court taking note of the fact that the respondents/writ petitioners therein had already paid three installments,

granted three more installments to pay the remaining amount.

5. In the light of the order passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court, permitting the consumer to pay the additional security deposit in six equal installments, this Court is of the view that similar benefit could be extended to the petitioner also.

6. The writ petition is disposed of by directing the second respondent to accept the payment of additional security deposit from the petitioner in six equal monthly installments along with regular current consumption charges commencing from June 2015. No costs.

Sd/-
Vacation Officer/
Assistant Registrar

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Sub- Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Chairman
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board
800, Anna Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.
2. The Superintending Engineer,
Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle,
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board,
Dindigul.

+1cc to M/s.R.S.Pandiyaraj, Advocate in SR.No. 25574

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Order made in
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