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**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**

**WPC No. 2183 of 2016**

- Smt. Meera Shankar Sahu W/o Hemshankar Sahu, Aged About 40 Years R/o Azad Ward, Ward No 37, Behind Shyamlal Pandey House, Ganjpara, Durg, Police Station And Post Durg, Civil And Revenue District Durg Chhattisgarh

**---- Petitioner**

**Versus**

1. Smt. Rukhmani Chouhan Wd/o Late Ramesh @ Laxminarayan Chouhan, Aged About 47 Years R/o Azad Ward No 37, In Front Of Chhattisgarh Hotel Pulgaon Naka, Ganjpara, Durg, Police Stiaton And Post Durg, Civil And Revenue District Durg Chhattisgarh
2. Assistant Engineer, Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Company, Durg Baghera Zone, Tahsil And District Durg Chhattisgarh
3. Chairman ( Public Utility Services) Permanent Lok Adalat, Durg, Distirct Durg Chhattisgarh

**---- Respondent**

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For Petitioner  
For Respondent No.1  
For Respondent No.3

Mr. Manoj Paranjpe, Advocate  
Mr. Manish Upadhyaya, Advocate  
Mr. Ashish Shrivastdava, Advocate

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**Hon'ble Shri Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra**

**Order On Board**

**24/11/2016**

1. Heard.
2. Challenge in this petition is to the order passed by the permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) refusing petitioner's impleadment as a party in the application moved by

respondent No.1 -tenant seeking restoration of electricity connection.

3. Admittedly, the petitioner-landlord has moved a suit for eviction before the Civil Court. During pendency of the said suit, the tenant has moved the subject application before the Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) seeking restoration of electricity supply.
4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, in the considered opinion of this Court, the petitioner being the landlord has an interest in the outcome of the application and is entitled to raise her plea, which is available to her under the Rent Control Act, 2013 or under common law.
5. The petitioner appears to be a proper party, if not a necessary party, in the proceedings between the tenant and the C.G. State Power Distribution Company Ltd., for restoration of electricity connection.
6. For the foregoing, the writ petition is allowed and the impugned order is set-aside. Consequently, the petitioner's application for impleadment stands allowed.
7. Let the matter be decided on its own merits by the Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) without being influenced by any of the observations made in this order.

Sd/-

Judge

**(Prashant Kumar Mishra)**

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