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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03-12-2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

WP No.34629 of 2013

And

MP No.1 of 2013

S.Mohammed Sulaiman

... Petitioner

vs.

1.Tamil Nadu Electricity Generation and
Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO),
Represented by its Chief Engineer (Commercial),
No.144, Anna Salai,
Chennai-2.

2.The Superintending Engineer,
Villupuram Electricity Distribution Circle,
No.10, Old Power House Road,
Villupuram - 605 602.

3.The Executive Engineer,
TANGEDCO,
Villupuram.

4.The Assistant Executive Engineer (O&M),
TANGEDCO,
Vikravandi,
Villupuram.

5.The Assistant Engineer,
TANGEDCO,
Vikravandi,
Villupuram.

... Respondents

Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for the issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, calling for the records of impugned communication in Ka.No.Vu.se.Po/E&Pa/Vikra/Ko.LTCT/A. No.107/13-14 dated 05.10.2013 passed by the fourth respondent and quash the same.



For Petitioner : No Appearance

For Respondents: Mr.L.Jaivenkatesh,
Standing Counsel for TANGEDCO.

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The petitioner was doing the business of Rice and obtained Service Connection in S.C.Nos.1095 and 3009 for the purpose of running Rice Mill in the name and style of 'AAA and BKB Rice Mill'.

2. In view of the fact that the petitioner was enjoying more than one HT connection in the same business premises, the Electricity Board Authorities passed an order for amalgamation of LT connection as HT connection as per the orders passed by the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission.

3. As per the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission's order, different connections cannot be provided for running a business in the same premises, as in the present case, the petitioner was running a Rice Mill. Thus, the Authorities during inspection found more than one LT connections and therefore, issued the impugned order to amalgamate the LT connections and got one HT connection for the purpose of running the Rice Mill.

4. More than one connection is obtained in order to minimise the electricity consumption charges and this issue was elaborately considered by the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission and the Commission state that in such circumstances, the Authorities must ensure loss of revenue to the Electricity Board and issue suitable orders, directing the consumers to convert the connections into one HT connection for the purpose of running the Rice Mill business.

5.This being the facts and circumstances, this Court do not find any merit in respect of the contentions raised by the petitioner. Consequently, the writ petition stands dismissed. However, there shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is also dismissed.

SD/-
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SUB ASSISTANT REGISTRAR



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+1cc to Mr.L.Jaivenkatesh, Advocate Sr.64464

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