

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.10.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

W.P.No.7566 of 2015

Mrs.G.Padmavathy
Petitioner

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Vs

1. The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TANGEDCO),
Anna Salai, Chennai-2.
 2. The Superintending Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TANGEDCO),
P.N.Road, Tirupur- 641 602.
 3. The Assistant Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TANGEDCO),
Mangalam Road,
Avinasi 641 654
- ...Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed Under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay a sum of Rs.15,00,000/- as compensation for the death of petitioner's husband aged about 43 years, who died due to electrocution on 05.11.2014 together with prevailing rate of interest from the date of petition till date of realization.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Anandhamurthy
For Respondents : Mr.M.Abdul Kalam
Standing Counsel
[For TANGEDCO]

ORDER

The relief sought for in the present writ petition is to direct the respondents to pay a sum of Rs.15,00,000/- as compensation for the death of petitioner's husband aged about 43 years, who died due to electrocution on 05.11.2014 together with prevailing rate of interest from the date of petition till date of realization.

2. The petitioner states that her husband Mr.A.Govindasamy was an agriculturist. They had two daughters. On 5.11.2014, it was found that the husband of the petitioner was electrocuted from the fence, which is on the side of the cattleshed. The brother of the petitioner's husband also died.

3. The fact regarding the death due to electrocution is not disputed by the respondents. In view of the fact that the death occurred due to electrocution, the respondents are liable to pay compensation as per the scheme of the respondent / Electricity Board. Though the petitioner claims a

sum of Rupees Fifteen Lakhs towards compensation, the learned counsel for the petitioner, on instructions, made a submission that the petitioner is ready and willing to accept the fixed compensation as per the scheme of the respondents / Electricity Board.

4. In view of the said submission made on behalf of the petitioner, the respondents are directed to pay a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only), which is a fixed compensation as per the scheme of the respondents / Electricity Board, along with the Simple Interest at the rate of 4% per annum from the date of death till the date of realisation of the compensation amount, within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of this order.

5. With these directions, the writ petition stands allowed. No Costs.

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