

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19.05.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

W.P.No.11994 of 2021

M/s.Arun Smelters (P) Ltd HTSC 1616
No.54 1stLine, Pantheon Road,
Egmore, Chennai,
Represented by its
Authorized Signatory K.Venkataraman

...Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited,
144, Anna Salai, Chennai 600 002.

2.The Superintending Engineer,
TANGEDCO
Chennai North Electricity Distribution Circle,
Chennai.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the 1st and 2nd respondent to permit the petitioner to pay the Additional Security Deposit of Rs.78,08,637/- alone in 06 equal monthly instalments along with the regular current consumption charges.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.S.Pandiyaraj

For Respondents : Mr.N.Damodharan
Senior Counsel (TNEB)

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[This matter is taken up for hearing through Video-Conferencing]

The petitioner seeks permission to pay the demanded Additional Security Deposit in six equal monthly installments along with the regular current consumption charges.

2.The petitioner states that a Security Deposit has already been made and is available with the respondents. However, the respondents have demanded an Additional Security Deposit, which the petitioner finds difficult to pay in one lump sum as demanded by the respondents. Learned counsel points out that in similar cases, several orders have been passed by this Court. He also invites the attention of this Court to one such order.

3. Learned Standing Counsel for TANGEDCO accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and is agreeable to the payment of the Additional Security Deposit in six equal monthly installments.

4. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of by permitting the petitioner to pay the Additional Security Deposit demanded by the respondents in six equal monthly installments. The first installment shall be paid on or before 15.06.2021 and the subsequent installments on or before the 15th of each of the succeeding five months. In the event of default, the petitioner shall, ipso facto, lose the benefit of this Order and the respondent shall be at liberty to initiate appropriate legal proceedings in respect thereof in accordance with law.

5. Writ Petition No.11994 of 2021 is disposed of on the above terms without any order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(V.O)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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+1cc to Mr.R.S.Pandiyaraj, Advocate, S.R.No.27275

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