



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 08.02.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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W.P (MD) No.1772 of 2021

R.Arumugam

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Assistant Engineer,
TANGEDCO (RURAL),
Karaikudi, Sivagangai District.

... Respondent

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to change the tariff for the electricity connection of the petitioner's residential house vide connection No.403-015-818 from commercial tariff to domestic tariff within the time to be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.Murugan.M
For Respondent : Ms.M.Parameswari
For Mr.S.M.S.Johnny Basha

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side. By consent of both parties this writ petition is taken up for final disposal.

2. It is seen that the writ petitioner had put up residential houses in violation of the status-quo order passed by this Court in C.R.P(MD).No.1259 of 2009. But the fact remains that the buildings in question are used only for residential purposes, but the service connection given to the building is under the commercial category.

3. Taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case, the respondent is directed to change the electricity tariff into the domestic category.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner states that the writ petitioner would not seek any adjustment in respect of the charges already paid. The respondent shall effect the change from commercial category to domestic category within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The petitioner shall not claim any equity in the pending civil proceedings by citing this order.



5. The writ petition stands allowed on these terms. No costs.

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Assistant Registrar (AE)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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