



W.P.No.27844 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.09.2023

CORAM : JUSTICE N.SESHASAYEE

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S.Sudha

..... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Superintending Engineer
TANGEDCO
Palladam.

2.The Assistant Engineer
TANGEDCO
No.135, Vadakkupalayam Main Road
Padaiyur, Kangeyam Taluk
Tiruppur.

3.The Divisional Engineer
TANGEDCO
Chennimalai Main Road
Kangeyam P.O
Tiruppur.

..... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 2 and 3 to pass appropriate order based on the petitioner's representation dated 13.09.2023 by granting her 8 months time to pay the Other (fine) Charges for the month of August 2023, which amounts to a sum of Rs.22,35,713.9/- will due on 19.09.2023 by four installments.



For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sithirai Anandam

For Respondents : Mr.L.Jai Venkatesh
Standing Counsel for R1 to R3

ORDER

The petitioner is a consumer of High Tension electricity, and she has been slapped both consumption charges and penalty for excess drawal of energy beyond the permitted load.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has already purchased necessary demand draft for a sum of Rs.4,33,835.27 in favour of the respondent concerned, towards payment of consumption charges vis-a-vis, the excess energy consumed, and only seeks a direction to the authority to receive the penalty imposed, in some easy installments.

3.1 Mr.L.Jai Venkatesh, learned Standing Counsel takes notice for the respondents, and made a statement that the electricity supply to the petitioner's unit has been disconnected today, and subject to the petitioner making payment for consumption charges, it will be restored.



3.2 Turning to the payment of penalty is concerned, the learned counsel again on instructions submitted that TANGEDCO is ready to receive the said sum in four installments.

4. This Court now directs the petitioner to pay the penalty amount of Rs.22,35,713.90 in four monthly installments to commence from October, 2023. Each installments must be paid on or before 15th of each month, in which the installments become payable.

5. The writ petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs.

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Note : Issue order copy on 21.09.2023



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