



W.P(MD)No.17708 of 2013

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 08.01.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

W.P(MD)No.17708 of 2013 and
MP(MD) Nos.1 & 2 of 2013 & 6628 of 2016

Pudukottai Bar Association,
Rep by its Secretary,
V.Arumugam

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Secretary to Government,
Energy Department,
Tamil Nadu Government,
Secretariat,
Chennai.

2.TANGEDCO,
Rep by its Assistant Engineer,
Town/North Section,
Pudukottai.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari to call for the records relating to the impugned order Vide No.உமிபொ/இகா/நகர்/வட/புது/கோ /கட்டு/அ.எண்.106/13-14, dated 09.10.2013 passed by the second respondent and quash the same.



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For Petitioner : Mr.K.C.Maniyarasu
For R1 : Mr.J.K.Jeyaseelan
Government Advocate
For R2 : Mr.S.Deenadayalan
Standing Counsel

ORDER

The demand notice issued by the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board in the year 2013 was under challenge in this writ petition.

2.The case of the petitioner is that the petitioner is a Bar Association and the Association was provided with the electricity service connection No.SC.No.C12/20. The grievance of the petitioner is that the electricity consumption charges of the public prosecutor office and the Government pleader office are also added in the consumption charges of the petitioner's Association when there is no provision for such inclusion.

3.The learned standing counsel appearing for TANGEDCO has produced a proceedings issued by the Assistant



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Engineer, TANGEDCO, Pudukkottai, dated 12.10.2023, wherein, it was intimated that the electricity consumption charges dues from the petitioner's SC No.113-001-20 has been accumulated to the tune of Rs.18.26 Lakhs and the same has to be settled by the petitioner.

4.This Court considered the rival submissions made and also perused the materials placed on record.

5.The petitioner is a bar Association. The electricity service connection of the Bar Association has been extended to the Assistant Public Prosecutor office and the Government Pleader office. The Bar Association is not supposed to pay the electricity consumption charges of Assistant Public Prosecutor office and the Government Pleader office. In the event, if the electricity service connection of this petitioner Association has been used for the consumption of electricity for the Assistant Public Prosecutor office and the Government Pleader office, the respondent shall disconnect the same within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a



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copy of this order and it is upto the TANGEDCO to provide a separate electricity service connection to them or shall make an arrangement with the Court service connection. In respect of arrears of amount due from the petitioner as stated by the respondent TANGEDCO, the petitioner association shall be permitted to pay the arrears amount in twelve equal monthly installments, deducting 10% of the electricity consumption charges as levied by the TANGEDCO, which was used by the Assistant Public Prosecutor office and the Government Pleader office.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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NCC: Yes/No
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- 1.The General Manager,
Southern Railway,
Park Town,
Chennai – 600 003.

- 2.The Divisional Commercial Manager,
Divisional Office,
Commercial Branch,
Southern Railways,
Madurai.



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