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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 01.03.2024

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THE HONOURABLE **DR. JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH**

W.P.No.5509 of 2024

M/s. Muthur Murugan Mills Ltd
No.12, 7th Street, Tatabad,
Coimbatore
repd. By its Authorised Signatory C, K.Iyappan

... Petitioner

Vs

- 1 The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Limited, 144, Anna Salai
Chennai 600 002
- 2 Chief Engineer
Non Conventional Energy Sources,
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution
Corporation Limited, 144, Anna Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.
- 3 The Superintending Engineer,
TANGEDCO,
Coimbatore North Electricity Distribution Circle,
Coimbatore.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus forbearing the Respondent and their men,



agents from collecting current consumption charges, demand charges and any arrears from the petitioner's captive Consumer Current Consumption Bills in HTSC No.039094300153 till the entire outstanding dues of Rs.10,00,000/- payable to the petitioner along with interest towards refundable security deposit in the account of the Petitioner's Solar Power Plant HTSC No.069534420076 is paid or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted.

For Petitioner : Mr.Ali Hassan Khan
For Respondents : Mr.D.R.Arun Kumar
Standing Counsel

ORDER

Mr.D.R.Arun Kumar, learned Standing Counsel accepts notice for the respondents and is armed with instructions to enable final disposal of this matter, even at the stage of admission.

2. The prayer is for a mandamus forbearing the respondents, officials of the Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO) from collecting current consumption charges or any further charges till the entirety of the outstanding dues of Rs.10,00,000/- is adjusted as against the consumption charges.

3. Mr.D.R.Arun Kumar would acquiesce to the position that the amount of Rs.10,00,000/- as quantified by the petitioner is, indeed, arrears due to the petitioner.



4. Thus, and in light of the aforesaid admission, mandamus is issued forbearing the respondents from collecting the current consumption charges and directing the respondents to adjust the outstanding dues first as against the charges.

5. It is seen that similar orders have been passed in identical circumstances in Writ Petitions in W.P.Nos.33072 of 2022 dated 07.12.2022 and W.P.No.1857 of 2023 dated 14.02.2023.

6. In light of the above, this Writ Petition stands allowed. No costs.

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Speaking Order:Yes

Neutral Citation:Yes



DR.ANITA SUMANTH, J.

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