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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 28.06.2024

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THE HONOURABLE DR. JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH
W.P.Nos.16964, 16968, 16971, 16974, 16975 and 16978 of 2024
& WMP.Nos.18680, 18682, 18688, 18694, 18695 & 18699 of 2024

In W.P.No.16964 of 2024

Southern Cotspinners Coimbatore (P) Ltd.,
No.27/9-A, Thirunagar, Singanallur,
Coimbatore – 641 005.
Repd. Authorized Signatory
Mr.K.Subramanian

... 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, 144, Anna Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.
3. Director Generation,
TANGEDCO,
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.
4. The Superintending Engineer
TANGEDCO,
Coimbatore Metro Electricity Distribution Circle,
Coimbatore.

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.... Respondents



(& etc. batch)

PRAYER in W.P.No.16964 of 2024: 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 HTSC No.039094350417 till the entire outstanding dues of Rs.20,00,000/- payable to the petitioner along with interest towards refundable security deposit in the account of the petitioner's Solar Power Plant HTSC No.0795146700515 is paid or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted.

In all W.P.'s

For Petitioner : Mr.R.S.Pandiyaraj

For Respondents : Ms.Meenakshi,
for Mr.D.R.Arun Kumar
Standing Counsel for TANGEDCO

COMMON ORDER

Ms.Meenakshi, learned counsel on behalf of Mr.D.R.Arunkumar, learned standing counsel accepts notice for the respondents in all the writ petitions and is armed with instructions to enable final disposal of these matters, 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.20,00,000/- (W.P.No.16964 of 2024), Rs.10,00,000/-



Rs.10,00,000/- (W.P.No.16974 of 2024), Rs.10,00,000/- (W.P.No.16975 of 2024) and Rs.50,00,000/- (W.P.No.16978 of 2024) is adjusted as against the consumption charges.

3. Ms.Meenakshi would acquiesce to the position that the amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (W.P.No.16964 of 2024), Rs.10,00,000/- (W.P.No.16968 of 2024), Rs.50,00,000/- (W.P.No.16971 of 2024), Rs.10,00,000/- (W.P.No.16974 of 2024), Rs.10,00,000/- (W.P.No.16975 of 2024) and Rs.50,00,000/- (W.P.No.16978 of 2024) as quantified by the petitioners are, indeed, arrears due to the petitioners.

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, these Writ Petitions stand allowed. No costs. Connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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Index : Yes / No

Speaking Order:Yes

Neutral Citation:Yes

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