



**W.P(MD)No.16514 of 2024**

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED : 23.07.2024**

**CORAM**

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

**W.P(MD)No.16514 of 2024**

**K.Rahamadulla**

**... Petitioner**

**Vs.**

**1.The District Collector,  
Dindigul District.**

**2.The Superintendent of Engineer,  
Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle,  
TANGEDCO, Dindigul,  
Dindigul District.**

**3.The Project Director,  
Office of the Deputy General Manager (Tech)  
Cum Project Director,  
Project Implementation Unit,  
National Highways Authority of India (NH209),  
Dindigul – 624 004.**

**4.The Competent Authority and Special  
District Revenue Officer(Land Acquisition),  
National Highways-209,  
Dindigul District.**

**5.The Executive Engineer (TLC),  
Office of the Executive Engineer,  
Tower Line Construction,  
TANGEDCO, Dindigul.**

**... Respondents**



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**Prayer :** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, forbearing the respondents from installing extra High Tension(EHT) Overhead electric lines over and through the petitioner patta land comprised in Survey No.587/2 bearing patta No.2232 situated at Kodalvavi Village Dindigul West Taluk, Dindigul District without obtaining sanction and permissions from the 1st respondent and determining and paying full compensation as provided under Sec.10(d) read with sec.16 of the Indian Telegraph Act 1885.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Aarumugam

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani,  
Spl. Govt. Pleader for R1, R2, R4 & R5.  
Mr.P.Karthick for R3.

### **ORDER**

The petitioner wants this Court to forebear the respondents from installing extra high tension overhead electric lines over and through his patta lands. It is well settled that if the land owner obstructs, then the authorities have to obtain permission under Section 16 of the India Telegraph Act, 1885 before the first respondent. Mandating the respondent / authorities to adhere to due process of law, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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