



W.P.(MD) No.20137 of 2016

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 12.11.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.KUMARESH BABU

**W.P.(MD) No.20137 of 2016
and
W.M.P.(MD) Nos.14429 and 14430 of 2016**

A.Perumal

... Petitioner

/vs./

- 1.The Superintending Engineer,
TANGEDCO,
Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle,
Dindigul.
- 2.The Assistant Engineer,
TANGEDCO (Operation and Maintenance),
Dindigul North,
Dindigul District.
3. The Assistant Executive Engineer,
TANGEDCO (Distribution),
Dindigul North,
Dindigul District.
4. The Assistant Executive Engineer,
TANGEDCO (Operation and Maintenance),
Dindigul North, Dindigul District.



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5.The Joint Engineer,
33/11 KV Sub Station,
TNEB, Vallipatty 624 710,
Dindigul District.

6.P.Venkatachalam

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 4 to direct the 5th respondent to provide the free agricultural connection to the petitioner's land based on the applications dated 12.04.1996 by reconsidering the survey numbers of the petitioner based on the property acquired by the petitioner through registered partition deed Document No.3840/2012 dated 31.12.2012.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Muthumani

For R1 to R5 : Mr.S.Deenadhayalan
Standing Counsel

For R6 : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh

ORDER

Heard Mr.V.Muthumani, learned counsel for the petitioner,
Mr.S.Deenadhayalan, learned Standing Counsel for the respondents 1 to 5 and
Mr.S.C.Herold Singh, learned counsel for the sixth respondent.



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2. The case of the petitioner is that he had raised an objection for grant of free agricultural service connection on the application made by the 6th respondent. It is also the claim of the petitioner that he had also made an application for free agricultural service connection as early as on 12.04.1996.

3. It is submitted by the learned standing counsel for the respondents 1 to 5 that the Executive Engineer, Dindigul North, Dindigul, is alone the appropriate authority to consider the application of the respective parties and grant service connection to them.

4. Hence, the Executive Engineer, Dindigul North, Dindigul, shall consider the application filed by the petitioner as well as the 6th respondent and take appropriate decision for grant of free agricultural service connection after hearing both the petitioner as well as the 6th respondent. Such exercise shall be completed within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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5. With the above directions, the Writ Petition stands disposed of. However, there shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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