



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

206 CWP-7573-2022

PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD. AND ANR
.... Petitioners

Versus

PERMANENT LOK ADALAT (PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES),
AMRITSAR AND ORS

....Respondents

206-2 CWP-9403-2022
PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD. AND ANR
.... Petitioners

Versus

PERMANENT LOK ADALAT (PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES),
AMRITSAR AND ORS

....Respondents

206-3 CWP-9410-2022
PUNJAB STATE POWER CORPORATION LTD. AND ANR
.... Petitioners

Versus

PERMANENT LOK ADALAT (PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES),
AMRITSAR AND ORS

....Respondents

Date of Decision:28.05.2024

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Dr. Sukant Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner(s)

None for respondent No.2 (in CWP-9403-2022).

Mr. Parminder Walia, Advocate for
Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate
for respondent No.3 (in all the cases).



SANJAY VASHISTH, J.(Oral)

1. By way of this common order passed in **CWP-7573 of 2022** titled as **‘Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. Vs. Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services), Amritsar and others’**, all the aforementioned 03 writ petitions are being disposed of as a common question of law and facts is involved in all these writ petitions.

2. Present writ petitions have been filed by Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, seeking quashing of the order dated 21.09.2021 (Annexure P-4), whereby Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services), Amritsar-respondent No.1, had directed to release the temporary electricity connections to respondent No.2 (in all the cases) within 30 days as adhoc relief. Permanent Lok Adalat gave an observation that electricity is not a luxury but a necessary requirement of life.

3. Considering the issue involved, on the previous date of hearing i.e. 16.05.2024, this Court passed the following order:

*“Present:Dr.Sukant Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner(s) alongwith
Mr. Amrinder Pal Singh, Asstt.
Executive Engineer.*

*Mr. Ram Lal Yadav, Advocate for
Mr. Sukhandeep Singh, Advocate
for respondent No.2 (in CWP-
9403-2022).*



*Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate
for respondent No.3(in all the
cases).*

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*In compliance to order dated
07.08.2023, passed by the Coordinate
Bench of this Court, Mr. Amrinder Pal
Singh, Asstt. Executive Engineer, is present
in-person in Court today.*

*On instructions, counsel for the
petitioner(s) states that electricity
connections, which is the prime prayer in
the complaint filed by respondent No.4(in
all the cases), have already been released.
For giving the complete facts, counsel for
the petitioner(s) submits that he would file
an affidavit on or before the next date of
hearing.*

Adjourned to 28.05.2024.

*Meanwhile, respondents would also
seek required instructions in regard to the
status of the electricity connection(s).*

*Photocopy of this order be placed on the
files of other connected cases.*

***May 16,2024 (SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE”***

4. In compliance to the order dated 16.05.2024, Mr. Sukant Gupta, Advocate, representing the petitioner(s) in all the cases filed a notarized affidavit dated 24.05.2024 of AEE/Commercial, S/D, City Centre, PSPCL, Amritsar, in the Court today. Same is taken on record.



Registry is directed to tag the same at appropriate place with the paper-book.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the grouse raised by the complainant/respondent No.2 in all the three writ petitions have been taken to its logical conclusion and refers to paragraph Nos.6 and 7 of the affidavit. For reference, same are reproduced herebelow:

“6. That in pursuance to the aforesaid developments, the coloniser-M/s Impact Projects Pvt. Ltd. deposited the requisite sums of money with the PSPCL-Petitioner whereupon PSPCL-Petitioner set-up/completed the LD system in the concerned colonies and started releasing electricity connections to the residents thereof. For the record, it is submitted that there were six housing colonies developed by the aforesaid coloniser. Details of the said colonies along with the dates when the respective NOCs were issued and details of compliances by the said coloniser as well as the number of electricity connections applied for and released by PSPCL-Petitioner, in a tabulated form, is annexed herewith as AnnexureA. A complete list, in a tabulated form, of all the 154 electricity connections released by PSPCL-Petitioner in all the six concerned housing colonies developed by the errant



*coloniser-M/s Impact Projects Pvt. Ltd.-
Respondent no. 3, is annexed herewith as
Annexure B.*

*7. That the private respondents in the
present three Writ Petitions are amongst
those in whose favour electricity
connections have been released by
PSPCL-petitioner.*

6. Thus, Mr. Sukant Gupta, Advocate submits that the
present writ petitions be disposed of as the same have been rendered
infructuous qua the relief claimed by respondent No.2 before the
Permanent Lok Adalat.

7. In view of the affidavit and the contents made therein, the
present writ petitions are disposed of having been rendered
infructuous.

8. A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of other
connected cases also.

May 28, 2024
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[SANJAY VASHISTH]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable?

yes/no
yes/no