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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-06-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

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R.Ramasamy
S/o.Ramalingam, Sandhaipettai
Kottai, Ajjanahalli Village,
Pennagaram Taluk, Dharmapuri
District.

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Superintending Engineer
Salem Electricity Distribution Circle,
Salem, Salem District.
- 2.The Executive Engineer,
Operation And Maintenance,
Tangedco, Mettur Dam, Salem
District -1.
- 3.The Assistant Executive Engineer,
Operation And Maintenance,
Tangedco, Mecheri, Salem District.
- 4.K.Muthu,
S/o.Kandha Gounder, Near Murugan
Temple, Mallikundham Village,
Mettur Taluk, Salem District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for a



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Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 2 to 3 to delete the name of the 4th respondent in the service Connection No. 041150033387 and inserted the name of the temple viz, Arulmigu Sri Karupusamy Ayyanarappan in the same service connection or issue new connection in the name of the temple.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Prabakaran

For Respondents: Mr.I.Syed Sibghatulla
Standing Counsel -for R1 to R3

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking for the issuance of a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 2 and 3 to deal with the representation made by the petitioner on 14.03.2025, wherein the petitioner has sought for deletion of the name of the 4th respondent and to grant service connection in the name of Arulmighu Sri Karupusamy Ayyanarappan Temple.

2. Heard Mr.K.Prabakaran, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.I.Syed Sibghatulla, learned Standing Counsel for respondents 1 to 3.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the property belongs to the Temple and to substantiate the same, the petitioner relied upon the sale deed dated 29.05.2015 and also the Patta that was issued in the year 2023. Learned counsel therefore submitted that instead of granting the service connection in the name of the Temple, it has been granted in the name of a private person viz., the 4th respondent.



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4. Per contra, learned Standing Counsel appearing on behalf of the TANGEDCO submitted that the said status is continuing from the year 2019 onwards and now a representation has been given by the petitioner.

5. In the considered view of this Court, the representation given by the petitioner is pending before the respondents. The respondents 1 to 3 can ascertain as to whether the property stands in the name of the Temple. If that is so, the service connection has to necessarily stand only in the name of the Temple and not in the name of a private individual. However, the fourth respondent shall be put on notice and after conducting an enquiry, the third respondent shall take a decision within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. This writ petition is disposed of in the above terms. No costs.

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Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation:Yes/No



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