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The matter is listed today under the caption “for being mentioned”.

2. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the file number as well as date are not mentioned in the relevant portion of the prayer and the same needs to be rectified. Due to the aforesaid correction in the prayer portion, the 1st paragraph of the order also requires rectification. Therefore, necessary corrections shall be made in the above said paragraphs.

3. Since the above errors are typographical in nature, the same shall be substituted as follows :-

Prayer : *Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for records pertaining to order passed in Proceedings No. க,எண்,இ,பொ/இப/க வல்/*

கோ,பு.மீ,இஅ,எண் 209/2025, நாள் 06.01.2025 on the file of the 3rd respondent

and quash the same and direct the 2nd and 3rd respondent to provide electricity service connection to the petitioner as per application dated 03.04.2024.



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1st paragraph

This writ petition has been filed to call for records pertaining to order passed in Proceedings No. க, எண், இ, பொ/இப/கவஸ்/கோ, பி, மி, இ, அ, எண் 209/2025, நாள் 06.01.2025 on the file of the 3rd respondent and quash the same and direct the 2nd and 3rd respondents to provide electricity service connection to the petitioner as per application dated 03.04.2024.

4. Except the above modifications, remaining portion of the order dated 11.11.2025 shall stand unaltered.

5. Registry is directed to carry out aforesaid corrections and issue fresh order copy to the parties.

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Note: Registry is directed to issue a fresh order copy after making necessary corrections.



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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M. DHANDAPANI

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C. Gokul

... Petitioner

vs.

1. The Chairman & Superintendent Engineer,
Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum
Chenglepet Electricity Distribution Circle,
Chenglepet.

2. The Executive Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution Corporation Ltd. (TANGEDCO)
Operation & Maintenance,
Maduranthagam,
Chenglepet District.

3. The Junior Engineer / Assistant Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution Corporation Ltd. (TANGEDCO)
Koovathur,
Cheyyur Taluk,
Chenglepet – 603 305.

4. Thasildhar,
Cheyyur Taluk,
Chenglepet District – 603 302.

... Respondents



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For petitioner : Mr.S. Pushpakaran
For respondents : Mr.L. Jaivenkatesh
Standing Counsel for R1 to R3
Ms.S. Anitha
Spl. Govt. Pleader for R4

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed to call for records pertaining to order passed in Proceedings No.க,எண்,இ,பொ/இப/கூவல்/கோ,பு,மி,இ,அ,எண்rd on the file of the 3rd respondent and quash the same and direct the 2nd and 3rd respondents to provide electricity service connection to the petitioner as per application dated 03.04.2024.

2. It is averred that the petitioner is the absolute owner of the property



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situated at New Colony, Koovathur, in Gramam Natham bearing New S. No.764/19, Old S. No.95/3, which he inherited from his ancestors. Originally, the land is Gramam Natham land, and patta was issued by the revenue authorities in favour of Thulakanam, who is petitioner's grandmother, to a certain extent under Patta No.286. After the demise of Thulakanam, the property devolved upon the petitioner's father Chellappan and his paternal uncle Elumalai. Subsequently, Elumalai executed a Release Deed in favour of the petitioner's father. Thereafter, the petitioner's father executed a Settlement Deed in favour of the petitioner vide Document No.2427/2020 and thus, he is the absolute owner of the subject property and patta stands in his name.

3. It is further stated that even though a complaint was lodged against the petitioner before the 4th respondent with respect to possession of the said property, the Villagers did not produce any documentary proof in support of their claim and thus, the 4th respondent, after conducting enquiry came to the conclusion in favour of the petitioner. After several legal battles, it was confirmed that the petitioner is the lawful owner of the property. Later, he submitted an application to the respondents 1 to 3 seeking temporary electricity connection for carrying out construction activities in the said property. However, the 3rd respondent did not effect electricity service connection citing objections raised by the Villagers. In such circumstances, challenging the rejection order dated 06.01.2025 issued by the 3rd respondent, this writ petition



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has been filed.

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4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that merely because some villagers have raised objections without producing any supporting documents and despite this Court having confirmed the petitioner's title, the respondents cannot refuse to effect temporary service connection. He further submitted that the petitioner, who is visually challenged, has already paid the requisite charges, and therefore denial of electricity service connection to the subject property of the petitioner by the 3rd respondent, vide order dated 06.01.2025 is highly arbitrary and prayed for quashment of the same. Further, he sought consequential directions to the respondents 2 and 3 to provide electricity service connection to the petitioner's property as per application dated 03.04.2024.

5. Learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents 1 to 3 submitted that though patta stands in the name of the petitioner, based on the objections and protest raised by the Villagers stating that the petitioner has obtained forged patta for the land which belongs to a Temple, electricity service connection was not provided to the subject property. He also submitted that consequent to rejection order, the respondents will refund the charges to the petitioner in respect of the aforesaid electricity connection. However, as the earlier application was sent through online process and rejected, the petitioner



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has to submit a fresh application seeking electricity service connection. If such application is filed, the respondents will consider the same afresh in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

6. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials placed on record.

7. Considering the aforesaid submissions and taking note of the fact that patta and title documents stand in the name of the petitioner and without any documentary proof with regard to suspect of title, merely relying on the objections raised by Villagers / third parties, the respondents cannot withhold temporary electricity connection.

8. In view of the above, this Court, directs the petitioner to submit a fresh application to the respondents, through online portal, seeking electricity service connection with respect to the subject property along with necessary charges, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On such submission, the respondents 1 to 3 shall consider the petitioner's application and effect temporary electricity service connection to the subject property of the petitioner, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, provided the petitioner has complied with all formalities. It is made clear that if the earlier charges paid by the petitioner was not refunded to him, it is for the respondents either to refund the same or to adjust it for the



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application to be filed.

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9. With the above directions, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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