



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-11-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 44038 of 2025

and

W.M.P No.49139 of 2025

Eswari
Wife of Nataraj, Osangattu Garden,
Kottavalasu, Senapathipalayam Village,
Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur District.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector Tiruppur,
Office of The District Collector,
Tiruppur District.

2.The District Collector - Karur
Office Of The District Collector,
Karur District.

3.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Dharapuram Revenue Division,
Tiruppur District.

4.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Karur Revenue Division, Karur District



5.The Tahsildar
Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur District

6.The Tahsildar
Pugalur Taluk, Karur District

7.The Block Development Officer
Vellakoil Block, Tiruppur District.

8.The Block Development Officer,
Paramathi Block, Karur District.

9.The President / The Executive
Officer,
Velappanaickenvalasu Village
Panchayat, Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur
District.

10.The President / The Executive
Officer,
Thottampatti Village Panchayat,
Pugalur Taluk, Karur District

11.M/s Tata Power Renewable Energy
Limited,
C/o. The Tata Power Company Limited,
Corporate Center, A Block, 34, Sant
Tukaram Road, Carnac Bunder,
Mumbai -400009.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to
issue a Writ of Prohibition, prohibiting the respondents 1 to 10 and the 11th



respondent company from proceeding with, permitting, aiding, or executing any overhead transmission line work along the road adjoining the petitioner's lands situated in Survey Nos.1050/1 and 1052/1, Senapathipalayam Village, Vellakoil Block, Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur District, and Survey No.802/B, Monjanur Melpagam Village, Paramathi Block, Pugalur Taluk, Karur District without obtaining proper permission/orders from relevant authorities in accordance with law.

For Petitioner(s): A.M.Natraj

For Respondent(s): Mr.P.Ganesan, Additional
Government Pleader for
R1 to R6
Mrs.S.Anitha, Special
Government Pleader for R7 to
R10
Mr.Sathish Parasaran, Senior
Counsel
for M/s.Abhinav Parthasarathy,
for R11

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed, prohibiting the respondents 1 to 10 and the 11th respondent company from proceeding with, permitting, aiding, or executing any overhead transmission line work along the road adjoining the petitioners lands situated in Survey Nos.1050/1 and 1052/1, Senapathipalayam Village, Vellakoil Block, Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur District, and Survey



No.802/B, Monjanur Melpagam Village, Paramathi Block, Pugalur Taluk, Karur

District without obtaining proper permission/orders from relevant authorities in accordance with law.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is the absolute owner and cultivator of coconut bearing agricultural lands situated at Survey Nos.1050/1, and 1052/1, Senapathipalayam Village, Vellakoil Block, Kangeyam Taluk, Tiruppur District, and Survey No.802/B, Monjanur Melpagam Village, Paramathi Block, Pugalur Taluk, Karur District. These lands lie contiguously on either side of a narrow inter-district public road and have been continuously cultivated by the petitioner for over two decades with irrigation wells and established coconut groves. The 11th respondent company has commenced erection of 33 KV overhead transmission lines along and above the said public road abutting the petitioner's lands, without any notice, consent, or statutory approval from the competent Revenue and Panchayat authorities. Further, the learned counsel submitted that the said works are being under taken without sanction under Section 68(1) of the Electricity Act, 2003,



without approval of the District Collector under Rule 3(1) of the Works of Licensees Rules, 2006, and without Panchayat permission, amounting to ultra vires and unauthorised exercise of power. The petitioner sent a detailed representation dated 13.10.2025 to all jurisdictional authorities. However, no action has been taken till date. Hence the present writ petition has been filed.

3.The learned senior counsel for the 11th respondent submitted that the provision relied upon by the learned counsel for the petitioner is not applicable to the 11th respondent, as it is applicable only under the Indian Telegraph Act. The learned senior counsel further contended that the grievance expressed by the petitioner in this writ petition is misconceived, inasmuch as the alignment of the 33 KV line has already been altered to avoid the panchayat road passing adjacent to the petitioner's land mentioned in the writ petition. Instead, the 11th respondent has obtained permission from the individual landowners, paid them compensation, and re-routed the line through nearby private lands without disturbing the petitioner's land or crops. In view of the above, the learned senior counsel submitted that no further orders are necessary in this petition and



accordingly, prayed that the writ petition be closed.

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4. In view of the above, since the petitioner's land is not going to be affected and the 11th respondent has rerouted the alignment without affecting the petitioner's land while paying compensation to the respective landowners, the grievance of the petitioner is misconceived. Therefore, this writ petition is dismissed. No costs. If the petitioner has any grievance, he must work out the remedy to receive compensation by approaching the appropriate authority. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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