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W.P(MD)No.31880 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 17.11.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE P.T.ASHA

Writ Petition(MD)No.31880 of 2025

and

W.M.P(MD)Nos.25065, 25067 & 25071 of 2025

M/s.Sunphoenix Newsprint Pvt. Ltd,
Represented by its Director,
Mr.S.Arun Parthiban,
No.334/6, Ooravyal Village,
Sithavayal Post, Devakottai Taluk,
Sivagangai District – 630 108.

..Petitioner

Vs

1.The Chairman Cum Managing Director,
TANGEDCO, NPKRR Maaligai,
No 144, Anna Salai,
Chennai 600 002.

2.The Superintending Engineer,
TANGEDCO Distribution, Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

..Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records pertaining to the Impugned communication bearing Lr.No. SE/SEDC/SVGA/DFC/AO/Rev./AS/F.HT SC No.109/D.No.796/2025 dated 16.10.2025 and quash the same and consequently direct the Respondents to i) Permit the Petitioner Company to remit the outstanding dues of Rs.26,00,000/- (for the months of August September and October



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2025) in six equal monthly installments ii) Restore the electricity supply to the Petitioner Company upon remittance of the first installment.

For Petitioner : M/s.Sriprada Prabhakar
For Respondents : Mr.S.Deenadhayalan
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records pertaining to the impugned communication bearing Lr.No.SE/SEDC/SVGA/DFC/AO/Rev./AS/F.HT SC No.109/D.No.796/2025 dated 16.10.2025, quash the same, and consequently direct the respondents:

(i) to permit the petitioner company to remit the outstanding dues of Rs.26,00,000/- for the months of August, September, and October 2025 in six equal monthly instalments; and

(ii) to restore the electricity supply to the petitioner company upon payment of the first instalment.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner company had been facing financial hardship due to a slump in business operations and is therefore unable to clear the entire dues in one lump sum. Hence, the petitioner seeks to pay the outstanding dues in instalments and reconnection upon payment of the first instalment.



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3. The learned standing counsel for the respondents submitted that the petitioner has accumulated substantial arrears and repeated reminders were issued before disconnection was effected. It is further submitted that electricity supply can be restored only in accordance with the Tamil Nadu Electricity Supply Code and subject to payment of substantial portion of the arrears.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and taking into account the submissions made on both sides, this Court directs the petitioner to pay 40% of the outstanding amount within a period of eight weeks from today. The balance amount shall be paid in four equal monthly instalments thereafter, commencing from the date of the first payment. Upon payment of the initial 40%, the respondents shall reconnect the electricity service connection to the petitioner company.

5. This writ petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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