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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 7396/2025 & CM APPL. 33182/2025**

SUSHILA SACHDEVA & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Sarthak Gupta, Mr. Prashant
Sharma and Ms. Atti Tyagi, Advs.
M: 8585913017

versus

**TATA POWER DELHI DISTRIBUTION LIMITED
& ANR.**

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Manish Kumar Srivastava, Mr.
Moksh Arora and Mr. Santosh
Ramdurg, Advs. for R-1
Mr. C.M. Kapoor, Adv. for R-2
M: 9871491045

**CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA**

ORDER
27.05.2025

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1. The present writ petition has been filed seeking directions to the respondents for re-connection and restoring of electricity supply and electricity meter of CA No. 60009950605 and CA No. 60006251353, at property bearing No. 8228, Shafiq Building, Kharia Mohalla, Roshanara Road, Delhi-110007.
2. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that in May, 2025, the respondent no. 2 approached respondent no.1, i.e., Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited, and made an application seeking disconnection and removal of electricity meter installed at the house of the petitioners. It is



submitted that respondent no.1, without issuing any Show Cause Notice, intimation or enquiry, disconnected and removed the electricity meter and connection of the petitioners on 20th May, 2025.

3. He further submits that the staff and employees of the respondent no.1 did not even conduct any basic enquiry before removing the electricity meters in the petitioners' property.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners also submits that respondent no. 2 had also approached respondent no.1 to harass the petitioners, and put them in undue pressure to vacate the property. Thus, it is submitted that respondent no.1 has disconnected their electricity connection, and removed the electricity meter on 20th May, 2025, in haste without giving any notice or conducting enquiry in the said matter.

5. It is further submitted that the petitioners have regularly been paying the electricity charges and there was no complaint as regards the non-payment of electricity dues of the petitioners. Thus, the present writ petition has been filed.

6. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsels appearing for the respondents.

7. Learned counsel appearing for respondent no.1, on instructions, submits that since the electricity meters were in the name of respondent no. 2, at the request of respondent no. 2, the electricity meters have been removed, and electricity connection was disconnected.

8. Learned counsel appearing for respondent no. 2 submits that the petitioners have already abandoned the property and they no longer reside there.

9. Responding to the same, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners



submits that the petitioners have not vacated the property, and that they have only shifted temporarily to a relative's house on account of disconnection of the electricity.

10. Having heard learned counsels for the parties, this Court notes that there is private title dispute between the petitioners and respondent no.2. However, as long as the petitioners are in possession of the premises in question, this Court will not enter into any disputed questions with regards to the dispute of title in the property between the petitioners and respondent no.2.

11. Considering the submissions made before this Court, it is directed as follows:

- i. The petitioners shall submit an application with the respondent no. 1- Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited, for installation of a new electricity meter, within a period of one week from today.
- ii. Upon receipt of the application from the petitioners, the same shall be processed, without insisting upon a No Objection Certificate ("NOC") from the owner of the premises in question.
- iii. The petitioners shall comply with all the codal and commercial formalities for grant of a new connection.
- iv. The petitioners shall pay the current consumption charges of the electricity, in accordance with the bills, as raised by respondent no. 1, on a monthly basis.
- v. In case, any arrears of consumption charges are still due, the same shall be duly paid by the petitioners.
- vi. In addition to the regular security deposit, the petitioners shall also deposit a sum of Rs. 25,000/-, as additional security deposit, with the



respondent no. 1.

vii. Respondent no. 1 will be entitled to disconnect the electricity connection in the event of non-compliance of any of the above conditions.

12. It is clarified that the directions in the present case have been passed without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the petitioners, and the owner of the property in question, in any civil proceedings.

13. The present order will not be treated as having conferred any special equities or any right of ownership, title or possessory rights in favour of the petitioners.

14. Accordingly, the present writ petition, along with the pending application, stands disposed of, in the aforesaid terms.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J.

MAY 27, 2025/KR