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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 3722 of 2026

AND

WMP No. 4136 of 2026

Poomex Clothing Company

235/3, Dharapuram Road,

Tiruppur -641 608

Repd., By its Authorized Signatory, Ayyappan M.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission
4th Floor, SIDCO Building,
Thiru.Vi. Ka. Industrial Estate,
Guindy, Chennai-600 032,
Represented by its Secretary.
2. Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd.,
(TNPDC),
Rep. By its Chairman,
144, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.
3. Director Finance
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd.,
(TNPDC)
No.144, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.
4. The Superintending Engineer
(TNPDC)
Palladam Electricity Distribution Circle,
Palladam.
5. The Superintending Engineer
(TNPDC),
Udumalpet Electricity Distribution Circle,
Udumalpet.



6. The Superintending Engineer
TNPDCCL),
Tirunelveli Electricity Distribution Circle,
Tirunelveli

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue Writ of Mandamus forbearing the respondents and their men, agents from collecting current consumption charges, demand charges and any arrears from the petitioner until the respondents makes payment of the outstanding dues of Rs.53,77,978 /- (for the year of 2022 - 2023) payable to the petitioner or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted and pass orders.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.R.S. Pandiyaraj

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Madhusudanan
Standing Counsel for R1 to R6

ORDER

The above writ petition is filed for the following relief :

“ To forbear the respondents and their men, agents from collecting current consumption charges, demand charges and any arrears from the petitioner until the respondents makes payment of the outstanding dues of Rs.53,77,978 /- (for the year of 2022 - 2023) payable to the petitioner or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted.”



2. The petitioner-industry who is running a textile manufacturing unit and involved in the business of textile processing, has a high tension electricity supply connection. The petitioner-industry also owns windmills and generate the wind power energy for their consumption. The petitioner had entered into a Energy Wheeling Agreement (EWA) with the second respondent in pursuance of the Tariff Orders issued by the first respondent-Commission. As per the EWA, if the wind energy generated by the petitioner is not utilized fully by them, the balance of it may be supplied to the respondent Board, and as against the said supply the respondent-Board would pay the petitioner 75% of normal purchase fixed by the Commission.

3. According to the petitioner, after the captive consumption for 2022-2023, it had sold the unutilized energy to the respondents 4 to 6, for which an outstanding amount of Rs. 53,77,978/- is due to them. The respondents have not paid the said amount and this amount is due for more than three years. Owing to the continuous default of the respondents in making payments to the petitioner, the petitioner could not run the industry and moreover, they could not pay the current consumption charges, demand charges to the Board. Hence, the petitioner is before this Court seeking the above relief.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has brought to the notice of the Court that in a similar case in W.P.No.47775 of 2025, this Court



has passed the following order :

“3. Accordingly, this writ petition stands disposed of in similar terms with a direction to the respondents to adjust the amount of Rs.16,92,851/- (for the year 2023 – 2024) payable by the respondents to the petitioner towards the electricity supplied to them by the petitioner, with the current consumption charges, demand charges payable by the petitioner, till the entire amount is adjusted or exhausted. The respondents shall not take any coercive steps against the petitioner for disconnection of power supply till entire outstanding amount payable to the petitioner by respondents gets adjusted towards current consumption charges, demand charges etc., payable by the petitioner. Consequently, WMP.No.53341 of 2025 is closed. No costs.”

5. Heard the learned counsel on either side and this Court also perused the materials placed before this Court.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also this Court had dealt with similar cases earlier, this Court is inclined to dispose of the writ petition in similar terms, directing the respondents to adjust the amount of Rs.53,77,978/- (for the year 2022–2023) payable by the respondents to the petitioner towards the electricity supplied to them by the petitioner, against the current consumption charges, demand charges or any other arrears payable by the petitioner, till the entire amount is adjusted or exhausted. The respondents shall not take any coercive steps against the petitioner in disconnecting the



power supply till the entire outstanding amount payable by the respondents gets adjusted towards current consumption charges, demand charges etc., payable by the petitioner. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To:

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