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WP No. 5754

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17.02.2026

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

WP No. 5754 of 2026

and

W.M.P.No. 6264 of 2026

M/s. Pothys Retail Private Ltd.,
15, POTHYS Traditional,
Nageswara Rao Rod,
T.Nagar, chennai – 6000017,
Represented By its Managing Director
Ramesh

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1.Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory
Commission,
4th Floor,
Sidco Building,
Thiru.Vi.Ka.Industrial Estate, Guindy,
Chennai-600 032 Rep By Its Secretary

2.Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation
Ltd,(TNPDCCL)
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai 600 002, Represented By Its
Managing Director

3.Director Finance
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation
Ltd., (TNPDCCL),
144 Anna Salai,
Chennai 600 002



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4.The Superintending Engineer(TNPDCL)
Trichy Metro Electricity Distribution Circle,
Trichy.

5. The Superintending Engineer(TNPDCL),
Tirunelveli Electricity Distribution Circle,
Tirunelveli.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a 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.77,43,629/- (for the year 2014- 2015 & 2015 to 2025) payable to the petitioner or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted.

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

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Madhusudanan
R1 to R5



ORDER

This writ petition is filed for the following relief:

“To issue a 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.77,43,629/- (for the year 2014- 2015 & 2015 to 2025) payable to the petitioner or give adjustment in the current consumption charges payable by the petitioner till the entire amount is adjusted..”.

2. This Court in a similar case in WP.No.47775 of 2025 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



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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."

3. In view of the above, this writ petition stands disposed of in similar terms with a direction to the respondents to adjust the amount of Rs.77,43,629/- (for the year 2014- 2015 & 2015 to 2025) 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, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed. No costs.

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Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission,
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Thiru.Vi.Ka.Industrial Estate, Guindy,
Chennai-600 032
2. The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd,
(TNPDC)144,
Anna Salai,
Chennai 600 002.
3. Director Finance
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation(TNPDC),
144 Anna Salai,
Chennai 600 002
4. The Superintending Engineer(TNPDC)
Trichy Electricity Distribution Circle,
Trichy.
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