



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ

WP No.21690 of 2026

and

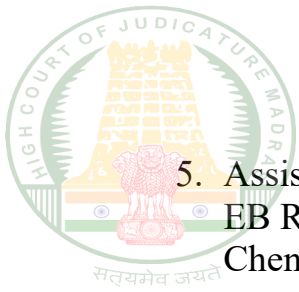
WMP Nos.23493 and 23496 of 2026

1. Sidharth Gokul Krishnan
S/o.Gopalan Gokal Krishnan,
Block No. 57/Villa No.24,
Boleneni Hillside, Perumbakkam Main Road,
Sithalapakkam, Chennai- 600 131.
2. Gopalan Gokal Krishnan
Block No.57 /Villa No.24, Boleneni Hillside,
Perumbakkam Main Road,
Sithalapakkam, Chennai- 600 131.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporaiton
Ltd., Chenglepet circle,
2A, GST Road,
Chenglepet HO- 603 001.
2. Executive Engineer (O and M)
Chenglepet Electricity Distribution Circle,
TANGEDCO, 2A, GST Road,
Chenglepet- 603 001.
3. Superintending Engineer
Chenglepet Electricity Distribution Circle,
2A, GST Road,
TANGEDCO, Chenglepet- 603 001.
4. Inspection Officer/ Ex-man Squad
Chenglepet Electricity Distribution Circle,
TANGEDCO, 2A, GST Road,
Chenglepet- 603 001.



5. Assistant Executive engineer, (O and M)
EB Road, Thirukazhukundram,
Chenglepet- 603 109.

6. Junior Engineer
TNEB Office, Nerumbur Division,
Thirukazhukundram, Chenglepet- 603 102.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for a writ of Certiorari:

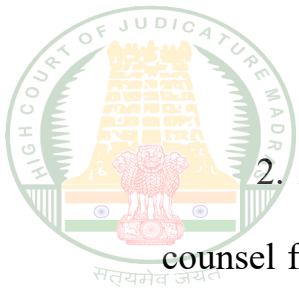
(i) Call for the records relating to the provisional assessment and its Statutory required documents, all internal independent validation and Verification done by chain of authority, inquiry proceedings recorded in minutes dated 30.08.2025 on petitioner's original petition before the department bearing No.169 dated 17.06.2025 read with the official communication by 5th Respondent dated 23.09.2025 in Lr. No.AEE/ O and M/ TKM/ CEDC/ F-TOE/ DNo.211/2025 and (ii) To direct the Respondents to refund the penalty sum of Rs.92,646/- paid by the Petitioner with interest at 12 percent p.a. from 27.05.2025, the date of the provisional report filed by the respondents.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Ramesh

For Respondent(s): Mr.Jai Venkatesh
Standing Counsel

ORDER

The present writ petition is filed challenging the inquiry proceedings recorded in minutes dated 30.08.2025 and to direct the respondents to refund the penalty paid by petitioner along with interest at 12% per annum from 27.05.2025, i.e., the date of provisional report filed by the respondents.



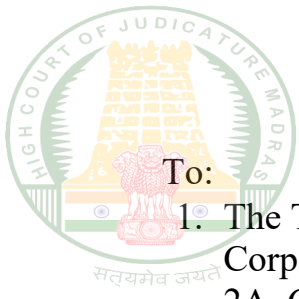
2. After submitting for a brief while, it was pointed out by the learned counsel for respondents that what is submitted is only a provisional assessment and if the petitioner were to submit any reply/ representation, the same would be considered by the respondents before passing the final order. To which, learned counsel for petitioner sought liberty to file his reply/ representation within a period of two weeks.

3. In that view of the matter, in case any reply/ representation is submitted by the learned counsel for petitioner within a period of two weeks from the date of uploading of web copy of order without waiting for receipt of certified copy, the same shall be considered by the respondents and appropriate orders shall be passed on merits and in accordance with law, after affording a reasonable opportunity of hearing to the petitioner before passing final orders. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any views with regard to the merits of the case and it is open to the concerned respondent to consider the case on its own merits and in accordance with law.

4. Accordingly, the writ petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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