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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

WP No. 31533 of 2024

CNR: {HCMA011908172024}

Case QR

S.Chandran
S/o.Settu,
No.1a, Paaraimedum,
Tharapadavedu,
Katpadi Taluk,
Vellore District.

...Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Chairman Cum Managing Director
   Tamil Nadu Generation And Distribution
   Corporation Limtied (TANGEDCO),
   Secretariat Branch,
   No.144, Anna Salai,
   Chennai-600 002.

2. The Financial Controller /
   General And Revenue
   Tamil Nadu Generation And Distribution
   Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO) Chennai.

3. Executive Engineer
   Tamil Nadu Generation And Distribution
   Corporation Limtied (TANGEDCO)
   Thirupathur, Gudiyattam.

...Respondent(s)

PRAYER: This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other Writ or order or direction in the nature of Writ, directing the respondents to consider the petitioners representation dated 14.11.2023 and thereby direct the respondents to grant petitioner pending salary from 26.02.2020 to 27.10.2020, and on the light of (per) CMD TANGEDCO proceedings No.32, Tamil Nadu Electricity Board

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Leave Regulations.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.B.Sundarapandiyan

For Respondent(s): Mr.M.Looganathan,
Standing Counsel for R1 to R3

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.11.2023. According to the representation, the petitioner sought arrears of salary for the period from 26.02.2020 to 27.10.2020. Though the matter has been pending since 2024, no counter affidavit has been filed.

2. The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents contends that whatever was eligible to the petitioner has already been settled. However, the learned counsel for the petitioner invited the attention of this Court to the fact that the petitioner, vide order dated 24.11.2020, was permitted to retire on the ground of medical invalidation with effect from 27.10.2020. Meanwhile, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board issued proceedings dated 11.02.2021 in respect of differently-abled employees, whereby they were exempted from attending duty and their absence from duty for the period from 24.03.2020 to 31.07.2020 was treated as duty.

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3. It is the contention of the petitioner that, as per the certificate issued by the Civil Assistant Surgeon, Gudiyattam, the petitioner was affected by paralysis and has 75% disability. Therefore, this Court is of the firm view that he is eligible to avail the benefits granted to differently-abled persons vide Proceedings No. 32 dated 11.02.2021. Although the petitioner was permitted to retire with effect from 27.10.2020, by virtue of the Board Proceedings dated 11.02.2021, the respondents are directed to treat the petitioner's period of absence from 24.03.2020 to 31.07.2020 as a duty period, and consequently, settle all salary dues within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. With the above said directions, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

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