



W.P(MD)No.905 of 2026

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.06.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

Writ Petition(MD)No.905 of 2026

and

W.M.P(MD)No.725 of 2026

C.Gurumoorthy

.. Petitioner

Vs

1.The Assistant Executive Engineer,
TANGEDCO,
Kovilpatti,
Tuticorin District.

2.The Junior Electrical Engineer,
(Distribution and Supply),
Kovilpatti,
Tuticorin District.

..Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for records relating to the impugned order made by 2nd respondent the Ka.No.E.Mi.Po/V/Vu/Ko.Patti/VaAa/Ko.Kattu/A.No. 380/25 in dated 16.12.2025 and quash the same as illegal and consequently direct the respondent to provide electricity connection in the name of the petitioner for his house in Door No.3/36 Mumalaipatti village, Kayathar taluk, Kovilpatti, Tuticorin district.



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For Petitioner : Mr.V.Sanjay Srinivas

For Respondents : Mr.M.Viji for

Mr.S.Deenadhayalan

Standing Counsel

ORDER

The petitioner challenges the communication dated 16.12.2025 issued by the second respondent, whereby the petitioner's application seeking electricity service connection to his dwelling house bearing Door No.3/36, situated at Mumalaipatti Village, Kayathar Taluk, Kovilpatti, Thoothukudi District, came to be rejected.

2.The application was rejected on the ground that the petitioner had not produced documentary proof of ownership in respect of the said dwelling house. According to the petitioner, pursuant to an oral partition among the family members, the subject dwelling house was allotted to his share and he has been in exclusive possession and enjoyment of the same ever since. The petitioner further submits that there are two dwelling houses belonging to the family and that, in the oral partition between him and his brother, the subject dwelling house fell to his share. Though the said oral partition has not been reflected in the revenue records, the petitioner has been residing in and enjoying the property continuously from the date of such partition.



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3.It is also not in dispute that the dwelling house originally stood in the name of the petitioner's deceased father. In the absence of any rival claim regarding possession and occupation of the property, this Court is of the view that no prejudice would be caused to the respondents by providing an electricity service connection to the petitioner, particularly when such connection does not confer or recognise title to the property.

4.In the circumstances, the petitioner can be directed to execute an indemnity bond safeguarding the interests of the respondents in the event of any future dispute regarding ownership or possession of the property.

5.Accordingly, the writ petition is allowed and the impugned communication dated 16.12.2025 issued by the second respondent is hereby quashed. The second respondent is directed to sanction and provide an electricity service connection to the petitioner's dwelling house, subject to the petitioner executing an indemnity bond in the prescribed format.



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6.The aforesaid exercise shall be completed within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of execution of the indemnity bond by the petitioner. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR, J.

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