



W.P.(MD)No.7875 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 25.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR**

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- 1.Ganakaraj
- 2.Piramila
- 3.Geetha
- 4.Dilsat Begum
- 5.Rajasekaran
- 6.Isak Kani
- 7.Victoria Jeeva
- 8.Kala
- 9.Muthylakshmi
- 10.Haritharani
- 11.Dineshkumar
- 12.Sheela Mari
- 13.Shankar
- 14.Saropilan
- 15.Palani
- 16.Kalpana
- 17.Jayanthi
- 18.Hari Saran

... Petitioners

VS.

1.The District Collector,
Pudukkottai District.



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2.The Superintending Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation of Electricity and
Distribution Corporation Ltd.,
(TANGEDCO)
Pudukkottai.

3.The Tahsildar,
Kulathur, Pudukkottai District.

4.The Assistant Executive Engineer
(Operation and Maintenance), TANGEDCO,
Keeranur Post, Kulathur Taluk,
Pudukkottai

5.The Assistant Engineer (Operation and Maintenance),
TANGEDCO,
Mathur Post, Kulathur Taluk,
Pudukkottai District

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 5th respondent to give electricity service connection to the petitioners' houses comprised in S.F.No.206/2 of Mathur Village, Kulathur Taluk, Pudukkottai District at once.

For Petitioners :Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian
For R1 and R3 :Mr.P.Subbraraj
Special Government Pleader
For R2, R4 and R5:Mr.S.Deenadhayalan



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ORDER

The petitioners are before this Court seeking issuance of a writ of Mandamus directing the fifth respondent to provide electricity service connections to the petitioners' houses comprised in S.F.No.206/2 of Mathur Village, Kulathur Taluk, Pudukkottai District.

2. The applications submitted by the petitioners for grant of electricity service connections have not been considered on the ground that the said houses are situated in a water body.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners has placed on record the proceedings issued by the Tahsildar concerned, whereby no objection has been granted to similarly placed persons for obtaining electricity service connections, even in respect of properties situated in a water body.

4. An identical issue came to be considered by this Court in W.P. (MD) No.16885 of 2025, wherein a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, by order dated 23.06.2025, observed as follows:



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4. *It is noticed that the land in question is abutting water body in Survey No.206/2, which is classified as 'Arasu Poramboke' and ear marked as 'Vari'/water body. Therefore, it is for the Tahsildar, namely, third respondent to examine whether "no objections" can be given to the petitioner, after considering whether the land in question is meant to prevent to flooding during monsoon.*

5. *The Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court, by its order, dated 03.06.2025 in W.P.(MD) No. 13084 of 2025 has directed to Tahsildar to take appropriate survey and to remove encroachments. It is in respect of very same land in Survey No. 206/2 in Mathur Village. Hence, pending removal of the encroachments, the Tahsildar may give provisional no objection for the petitioner to obtain electricity connection.*

6. *It is made clear that even such "no objection" is to be granted on provisional basis. However, if the proceedings are initiated for removal of encroachments, the petitioner shall vacate the same and the Electricity Board is free to disconnect the electricity connection that may be granted to the petitioner. The entire exercise is directed to be completed within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.*

7. *This Writ Petition is disposed of, with the above observations. No costs. W.M.P.(MD) No. 12782 of 2025 is allowed."*

5. In view of the above, this writ petition is disposed of in terms of the aforesaid order. The fifth respondent is directed to provide electricity service connections to the petitioners without insisting no objection



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certificate from the jurisdictional Tahsildar subject to the petitioners satisfying other eligible criteria. The said exercise shall be completed within 6 weeks from the date of receiving of the copy of this order No costs.

Index :Yes / No
Internet :Yes / No
NCC :Yes / No

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