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WP(MD).No.18793 of 2018

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

**WP(MD) No.18793 of 2018
and WMP(MD).Nos.16653 & 16654 of 2018**

M.Thavamani

.....Petitioner

Vs

1.The District Collector
Collector Office
Madurai

2.The Superintending Engineer
TANGEDCO, K.Pudur
Madurai 625 007

3.The Executive Engineer
Distribution
TANGEDCO
Usilampatty
Madurai District

....Respondents

Prayer: This Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to quash the impugned proceedings in Se.Po/Pa/Oo.Silai/Tho.Nu.Oo/Ko/Manu/A.No.2636/18 dated 06.08.2018 of 3rd respondent and direct the respondents to provide electricity service connection to the petitioner's land at S.No.17/8, Nagamalai Pudukkottai, Madurai measuring 0.18 cents under “FTS FS 18-19” scheme.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Manohar

For Respondents : M/s.D.Farjana Ghoushia
Special Government Pleader for R1

:Mr.S.Deenadhayalan
Standing Counsel for R2 & R3

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking to quash the order passed by the third respondent wherein the request of the petitioner to have free agri service connection under Tatkall scheme has been rejected.

2.According to the learned counsel for the writ petitioner, the petitioner has already availed a paid service connection under Tariff IIIA1. When the said service connection is existing, she had made an application to the respondents on 20.07.2018 seeking free service connection under Tatkall scheme. The said request has been rejected under the impugned order on the ground that the petitioner is already having service connection for the said property.

3.The learned counsel had further stated that having IIIA1 service connection would not be a legal impediment for applying under Tatkall scheme for free agri connection.



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4.The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the electricity board submits that at the relevant point of time, Tatkal scheme was not in force. Therefore, the request of the petitioner was rejected.

5.In view of the above said facts, it is clear that having a paid service connection under IIIA1, will not be a legal impediment for the writ petitioner either to apply for a free service connection or under Tatkal scheme. In case, if the petitioner makes any request, the same shall be decided on merits based on seniority on the application dated 20.07.2018.

6.With the above said observations, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court
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