

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN
AT JODHPUR**

S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 14218/2026
CNR: RJHC010643362026 | URN: CW / 25943U / 2026

Jadav Devi W/o Late Shri Bhagirath Sharma, Aged About 77
Years, Resident Of Ward No. 15, Near Ram Mandir, Padampur,
Tehsil Padampur, District Sriganganagar (Raj.).

-----Petitioner

Versus

1. State Of Rajasthan, Through The Chairman, Jodhpur
Vidhyut Vitran Nigam Limited, New Power House,
Industrial Area, Jodhpur (Raj.).
2. Superintending Engineer, Jodhpur Vidhyut Vitran Nigam
Limited, Jodhpur Discom, Padampur, District
Sriganganagar (Raj.).
3. Executive Engineer, Jodhpur Vidhyut Vitran Nigam
Limited, Jodhpur Discom, Padampur, District
Sriganganagar (Raj.).
4. Assistant Engineer (Supply), Jodhpur Vidhyut Vitran
Nigam Limited, Jodhpur Discom, Padampur, District
Sriganganagar (Raj.).
5. Malkeet Soni S/o Shri Harchet, President Of Sawarnkar
Samiti, Valmiki Mohalla, Padampur, Tehsil Padampur,
District Sriganganagar (Raj.).
6. Mahaveer Soni S/o Bhagwandas, Ward No. 18, Padampur,
Tehsil Padampur, District Sriganganagar (Raj.).
7. Deepak Soni S/o Raisahab, Ward No. 18, Padampur,
Tehsil Padampur, District Sriganganagar (Raj.).
8. Vikas Soni S/o Vijay Soni, Tolaram Doctor Ki Gali,
Padampur, Tehsil Padampur, District Sriganganagar (Raj.).

-----Respondents

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Gaurav Nagda
For Respondent(s) :

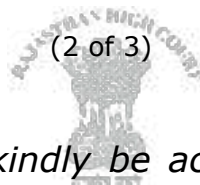
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP KUMAR DHAND

Judgment

03/08/2026

1. The present writ petition has been filed by the petitioner with
the following prayer:-

*"It is therefore, most humbly and respectfully
prayed that the present writ petition of the*



Petitioner may kindly be accepted and allowed and;

1. By an appropriate writ, order, or direction, in the nature of mandamus, the impugned notice dated 07.05.2026 (Annexure-12) issued by Respondent No.4 Assistant Engineer (Supply), Jodhpur DISCOM, Padampur, District Sriganganagar, may kindly be declared illegal and the same may be quashed and set aside; and

2. By a further appropriate writ, order, or direction, the Respondent Electricity Department may kindly be directed to grant electricity connection to the residential premises of the Petitioner situated near Shri Ram Mandir, Padampur, District Sriganganagar (Raj.); and

3. The cost of this writ petition may kindly be awarded in favour of the Petitioner; and

4. Any other writ order or direction which this Hon'ble Court deem just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case may kindly be issued in favour of the petitioner."

2. By way of filing the present writ petition, the petitioner seeks directions against the respondent-Electricity Department for grant of an electricity connection to the petitioner's residential premises.

3. In the considered opinion of this Court, the petitioner is supposed to have approached the Permanent Lok Adalat by way filing an appropriate application in terms of Section 22-C of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 (for short, "the Act of 1987"). The provisions contained in Chapter VI-A of the Act of 1987 deal with the jurisdiction, conciliation and settlement of disputes by the Permanent Lok Adalat. The expression "public utility service", as defined under Section 22A(b) of the Act of 1987, includes the supply of power and electricity. Therefore, the grievance raised by the petitioner falls within the jurisdiction of the Permanent Lok Adalat constituted under the Act of 1987.

4. Considering the overall facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the present writ



petition with liberty to the petitioner to file an appropriate application before the Permanent Lok Adalat having territorial jurisdiction within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

5. In case, such an application is filed by the petitioner within the aforesaid period, it is expected that the Permanent Lok Adalat shall consider and decide the same, after affording an opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties, in accordance with law, expeditiously.

6. Stay application also stands disposed of.

(ANOOP KUMAR DHAND),J