

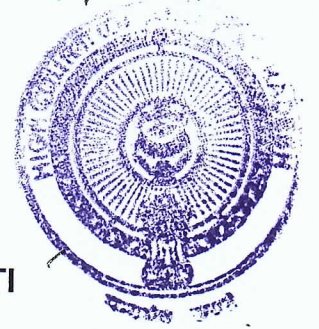
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

**THURSDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF JULY,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE**

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE SUBBA REDDY SATTI

WRIT PETITION NO: 16754 OF 2025



Between:

Sadhu Haritha, W/o. Sadhu Shiva Reddy, Aged about 47 yrs, Occ: House
Wife, R/o. 8/11, Reddyvari Palli, Dudyala, Sambepalli Mandal, Y.S.R
District.

**(Cause title is amended as per the Court's order dt. 10.07.2025 in IA
02/25 in Writ Petition and affidavit)**

...Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep., by its Principal Secretary,
Energy Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi.
2. The Southern Power Distribution Company, Rep by its Managing
Director, having its head office at D.No. 19-13-65/A, Srinivasapuram,
Tiruchanoor Road, Tirupati, Chittoor Dt., A.P., PIN-517503
3. The Superintending Engineer, Rayachoty, Annamayya District.
4. The Assistant Executive Engineer (APSPDCL), Sambepalli Circle,
Annamayya District.
5. The Deputy Executive Engineer, APSPDCL Rayachoty Circle,
Annamayya District.

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed praying
that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High
Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ order or direction more

particularly one in the nature of Writ of a Mandamus seeking to declare the inaction of the Respondents in attempting to disconnect electricity service connection bearing No.2412656000413 situated in Sy.No.747 of Dudhyala Village, Sambepalli Mandal, Annamayya District, without following due process of law. The said action is arbitrary, illegal, highhanded, and a colorable exercise of power. It is contrary to well-established legal principles and violative of the fundamental and constitutional rights guaranteed to me under Articles 14, 19, 21, and 300A of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents not to disconnect the electricity connection bearing No. 2412656000413 situated in Sy.No.747 of Dudhyala Village, Sambepalli Mandal, Annamayya District;

IA NO: 1 OF 2025:

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondents not to disconnect the electricity connection bearing No.2412656000413 situated in Sy.No.747 of Dudhyala Village, Sambepalli Mandal, Annamayya District, pending disposal of WP.No.16754 of 2025, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and the orders of the High Court dated:07.07.2025 and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Papudippu Sashidar Reddy, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for Energy for the Respondent No.1 and Sri K. VENKATA RAMA RAO, Standing Counsel for the Respondent Nos.2 to 5, the Court made the following;

ORDER:

Registry is directed to carryout necessary amendments.

Rule Nisi. Call for records.

Notice returnable in four (04) weeks.

Heard Sri Papudippu Sashidhar Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioner and Smt. A.Jyothi Ratna, learned Junior Standing counsel appearing for the respondents.

The above writ petition has been filed to declare the action of respondents 4 and 5, is in attempting to disconnect electricity service connection bearing No.2412656000413 situated in Sy.No.747 of Dudhyala Village, Sambepalli Mandal, Annamayya District, without following due process, as illegal and arbitrary.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that petitioner dug a borewell in her land for drinking as well as agriculture purpose. The respondents 4 and 5 without following due process are trying to disconnect the power supply.

Learned Standing counsel appearing for the respondents would submit that a memo dated 25.06.2025, was issued to the petitioner based on the instructions of the Tahsildar, Sambepalli. A copy of the memo is placed on record.

A perusal of the memo would indicate that the 4th respondent received a letter from the Tahsildar and recommended to remove the service connection. Hence the notice is issued and further the petitioner is directed to approach the Tahsildar, Sambepalli.

Whether the memo issued by the 4th respondent is inconsonance with the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, requires consideration.

Learned Standing counsel appearing for the respondents seeks time to file counter-affidavit.

Given the facts and circumstances of the case, the 4th respondent shall not disconnect the power supply to the service connection bearing No.2412656000413 situated in Sy.No.747 of Dudhyala Village, Sambepalli Mandal, Annamayya District.

SD/- K.J.RAJA BABU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

For

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, State of Andhra Pradesh, Energy Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi. (by **Special Messenger**)
2. The Managing Director, Southern Power Distribution Company, having its head office at D.No. 19-13-65/A, Srinivasapuram, Tiruchanoor Road, Tirupati, Chittoor Dt., A.P., PIN-517503
3. The Superintending Engineer, Rayachoty, Annamayya District.
4. The Assistant Executive Engineer (APSPDCL), Sambepalli Circle, Annamayya District. (BY SPEED POST)
5. The Deputy Executive Engineer, APSPDCL Rayachoty Circle, Annamayya District. (Addressee Nos.2,3& 5 by **RPAD**)
6. One CC to Sri. Papudippu Sashidar Reddy, Advocate [OPUC]
7. Two CCs to GP for Energy, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
8. One CC to Sri K. VENKATA RAMA RAO, Standing Counsel [OPUC]
9. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

SRS,J

DATED:10/07/2025

ORDER

WP.No.16754 of 2025

DIRECTION

