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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 10772/2025 & CM APPL. 44535/2025**

MAZKIRA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ishan Sanghi and Ms. Sagrika
Wadhwa, Advs.
M: 9999712309

versus

BSES YAMUNA POWER LIMITED

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Moksh Arora and Mr. Santosh
Ramdurg, Advs.
M: 9999061836

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA

ORDER

% **04.08.2025**

CM APPL. 44535/2025 (For Exemption)

1. Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. Application stands disposed of.

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3. The present writ petition being, filed as a legal aid matter, has been filed for directions to the respondent to install a new electricity meter on the ground floor of the property bearing *No. A-49 Jhuggi, Rani Garden, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110052*.
4. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner and her children are residing on the ground floor of the aforesaid property since the year 2018 and despite repeated requests and



representations made by the petitioner to the respondent for installation of an electricity connection at the subject property, the respondent has persistently refused to install the same.

5. It is submitted that at one point, it was alleged that the petitioner was illegally drawing the electricity from a neighboring property. The matter was referred to the National Lok Adalat, where the parties reached an amicable settlement and the petitioner had agreed to pay an amount of Rs. 3,730/- to the respondent towards the dues at that point of time.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner has been making various applications for installation of a new electricity connection. However, no steps have been taken by the respondent in furtherance thereof.

7. It is submitted that similarly situated and adjacent properties/*jhuggis* surrounding the property in question, have duly sanctioned electricity connection. Thus, it is submitted that the petitioner cannot be discriminated against by denying her the same facility.

8. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsel appearing for the respondent, who raises an objection that the present writ petition is not maintainable.

9. He draws the attention of this Court to *Annexure P-9* of the present petition, which is an order dated 23rd December, 2024 passed by the Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum (“CGRF”) for the respondent. He submits that the petitioner has the liberty to file an appeal before the Ombudsmen, in terms of Section 42(6) of the Electricity Act, 2003 against the said order of the CGRF.

10. Responding to the same, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner



submits that the order dated 23rd December, 2024, passed by the CGRF, was only on the ground that the *jhuggi* of the petitioner did not exist and thus, no electricity connection could be granted.

11. It is submitted that there is no finding on merit in the said order of the CGRF. Thus, he submits that the aforesaid order was passed only on a factual basis and, whereas, the petitioner has been staying continuously at the said premises. Therefore, the petitioner does not wish to file any appeal with regard thereto before the Ombudsman.

12. He further submits that the petitioner has already filed a fresh application for a new electricity connection, to which, a deficiency letter dated 04th July, 2025 has been issued by the respondent.

13. He, thus, submits that there is a fresh cause of action in favour of the petitioner, on account of which, the present writ petition has been filed.

14. Accordingly, let reply be filed by the respondent within a period of four weeks, from today.

15. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within two weeks, thereafter.

16. Re-notify on 24th September, 2025.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

AUGUST 4, 2025/KR