

**THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD**

FRIDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NAGESH BHEEMAPAKA
WRIT PETITION NO: 20955 OF 2025

Between:

M/s. Dr. Reddy s Laboratories Ltd, Regd Off. 8-2-337, Road No.3, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad - 500 034. Rep. by its Authorised Signatory, Mr. Gopala Krishna Gangavelli. Having its Unit at. Sy.No.42, 45, 46 and 54, Bachupally (V), Qutubullapur(M), Medchal-Malkajgiri District, Telangana-500055. Service Connection No.MCL-1357.

Petitioner

AND

1. Telangana State Southern Power Distribution Company Limited, TGSPDCL, Corporate Office, 6-1-50, Mint Compound, Hyderabad, Telangana -500 063 Rep. by its Chairman and Managing Director
2. Superintending Engineer, Operation Circle, Medchal, TGSPDCL, Gunrock, Secunderabad.
3. The Divisional Engineer, Operation, Kukatpally, TGSPDCL, Kukatpally, Hyderabad.

Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to pass an order or orders or writ or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in issuing demand for payment of Cross Subsidy Surcharge vide Demand Notices Lr.No.SE/OP/MCL/SAO/AAO(HT)/JAO(HT)/D.No.737 dt.27.01.2025 issued by the 2nd Respondent, Lr.No.DEE/OP/KKP/ Tech/F.No./ D.No./JAO/HT/D.No.342/25 dt.12.06.2025 issued by the 3rd Respondent, and Lr.No.SE/OP/MCL/SAO/AAO(HT)/JAO(HT)/D.No.1291 dt.15.07.2025 issued by the 2nd Respondent, as arbitrary, illegal, baseless, without application of mind. in violation of the principles of natural justice, contrary to the Tariff Order dt.30.08.2024 issued by the Telangana Electricity Regulatory Commission determining the CSS for FY 2005-06 to 2014-15, provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, besides being violative of the petitioner's rights guaranteed under Article 14 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same and direct the Respondents to refund the amount already paid by the Petitioner.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondents not to take any coercive steps including that of disconnection of power supply pursuant to the demands made by Lr.No.SE/OP/MCL/SAO/AAO(HT)/JAO(HT)/D.No.737 dt.27.01.2025 and or Lr.No.SE/OP/MCL/SAO/AAO(HT)/JAO(HT)/D.No.1291 dt.15.07.2025 issued by the 2nd Respondent, and Lr.No.DEE/OP/KKP/ Tech/F.No./ D.No./JAO/HT/D.No.342/25 dt.12.06.2025 issued by the 3rd Respondent for payment of alleged Cross Subsidy Surcharge, or any such amounts shown in the CC Bills of the Petitioner, pending disposal of WP 20955 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 upon hearing the arguments of Sri MANNAM SRIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and Sri N. Sreedhar Reddy, Standing Counsel for Respondent Nos.1 to 3, the Court made the following.

ORDER:

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner-Dr.Reddy's Laboratories; and Mr. N. Sreedhar Reddy, learned Standing Counsel for respondents-TGSPDCL.

The petitioner challenges the levy of Cross-Subsidy Surcharge of Rs.28,90,049/- vide Demand Notice dated 27.01.2025 issued by the 2nd respondent-Superintending Engineer; and letter dated 12.06.2025 issued by 3rd respondent-Divisional Engineer; and letter dated 15.07.2025 issued by 2nd respondent-Superintending Engineer.

When the matter is taken up, learned counsel for the petitioner is willing to pay the regular Current Consumption Charges, and the respondents may be directed to restore the power supply to the petitioner-Lab.

At this juncture, Mr. N. Sreedhar Reddy, learned Standing Counsel, submits, on instructions, petitioner is due an amount of Rs.85 lakhs, and if they pay the said amounts, power supply will be restored.

Learned counsel for the petitioner ensures that the said amount is paid on or before 22.07.2025.

In view of the said undertaking, respondents are directed to restore power supply to petitioner-Lab forthwith. In default of payment of amount as assured, the respondents are at liberty to disconnect the power supply.

List on 11.08.2025.

**SD/-V.KAVITHA
DEPUTY REGISTRAR**

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Chairman and Managing Director, Telangana State Southern Power Distribution Company Limited, TGSPDCL, Corporate Office, 6-1-50, Mint Compound, Hyderabad, Telangana -500 063.
2. The Superintending Engineer, Operation Circle, Medchal, TGSPDCL, Gunrock, Secunderabad.
3. The Divisional Engineer, Operation, Kukatpally, TGSPDCL, Kukatpally, Hyderabad.
(for 1 to 3 by RPAD)
4. One CC to SRI MANNAM SRIDHAR, Advocate [OPUC]
5. One CC to SRI N.SREEDHAR REDDY, Advocate [OPUC]
6. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

NBK,J

DATED:18.07.2025

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ORDER

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DIRECTION

