



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.**

**WRIT PETITION NO.7939 OF 2025**

MANAJI S/O SANU BHILAWEKAR AND OTHERS

VS

THE MAHA. STATE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD., THR. REGIONAL  
DIRECTOR, NAGPUR REGION AND ORS.

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,  
appearances, Court's orders or directions  
and Registrar's orders

Court's or Judge's orders

Mr. S.I. Ghatte, Advocate for the petitioner/s

**CORAM** : ANIL S. KILOR AND RAJNISH R. VYAS, JJ.

**DATE** : 12.12.2025

1. Heard.
2. The petitioners are total 62 farmers, who are residing in Taluka : Dharni, Dist. Amravati. It is their case that despite their repeated reminders, requests and applications, the respondent No.1-Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL) has failed to take any decision regarding their request for grant electricity connection for agricultural purpose.
3. From the record, we failed to understand as to how the respondents can deprive the farmers from the electricity inspite of acceptance of certain amount and ignoring the fact that electricity is a lifeline for agricultural activities. Such act on the part of the respondents is *prima facie* in violation of Article 21 of the Constitution of India.

4. Since the issue involves the interest of the public at large, we treat the present petition as a Public Interest Litigation.
5. We have requested Mr. Rohan Deo, learned counsel, to assist us in the matter. He has graciously accepted our request.
6. We, therefore, appoint Mr. Rohan Deo, learned counsel as *Amicus Curiae*, in this petition.
7. Needless to mention that the learned *Amicus Curiae* will go through the record and suggest the measures which are required to be taken by filing appropriate petition in format, as per the Public Interest Litigation Rules, 2010.
8. Mr. Ghatte, learned counsel is kind enough to submit that he will extend the necessary cooperation to Mr. Deo, learned *Amicus Curiae* in the matter.
9. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 09.01.2026.

(RAJNISH R. VYAS, J.)

(ANIL S. KILOR, J.)