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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WMP No. 17342 and 17344 of 2026

IN

WP NO. 16114 OF 2026

Pashupathi Steels
SF No. 20/27B, Bodanthila village,
Padamale Post, Neermarga,
Mangalore -575 029
Repd. By its Authorised Signatory,
Ashwini Kumar Jain

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Chairman
Tamil Nadu Power Distribution,
Corporation Limited, 144 Anna Salai,
Chennai-600 002
2. The Deputy Financial Controller,
CEDC/North,
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai-600 002
3. The Superintending Engineer, CEDC North
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai-600 002
4. Salem Steel,
B-25C, SIPCOT Industrial Complex,
Gummidipondi,

..Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.R.S.Pandiyaraj

For Respondent(s):

Mr.L.Jaivenkatesh, Standing Counsel



ORDER

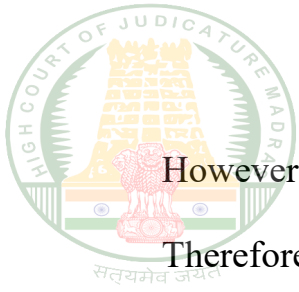
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These miscellaneous petitions have been filed seeking interim stay/direction of the demand for Rs.40,11,624/- made vide memo dated 24.06.2025 and for a consequential direction to grant new LT temporary service connection.

2. The petitioner has applied for a new LT Temporary Service connection at Plot No.B-25C, SIPCOT Industrial Complex, Gummidipoondi under HT SC.No.019094041556. The second respondent vide memo dated 24.06.2025, has intimated that the said HT service was disconnected in 10/1998 due to non-payment of CC Bill and that total arrears of Rs.40,11,624/- are payable, comprising CC. arrears of Rs.9,56,287/- and BPSC of Rs.30,55,337/- for 213 months from 10/1998 to 06/2025. The petitioner disputes the quantum and levy of BPSC for 213 months and submits that the claim is barred by limitation. It is further submitted that the petitioner is willing to deposit a reasonable amount to show bonafides.

3. Heard both sides and perused the memo dated 24.06.2025.

4. The question whether BPSC for 213 months can be levied and whether the claim is barred by limitation requires adjudication in the main writ petition.



However, the petitioner cannot be denied electricity connection indefinitely.

Therefore, this Court grants an order of interim stay on condition that *the petitioner is directed to pay a sum of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs only) to the second respondent within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, failing which, the interim stay granted by this Court shall stand automatically vacated without further reference to this Court.*

5. Post the matter after four weeks. In the meantime, the respondent shall file their counter.

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