



W.P.(MD)No.4702 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 05.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

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... Petitioner

vs.

1.The Chief Engineer
Non-Conventional Energy Sources (NCES)
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited
(TANGEDCO)
No.144
Annasalai
Chennai - 600002.

2.The Superintendent Engineer
Non-Conventional Energy Sources (NCES)
Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation
Limited(TANGEDCO)
Maharaja Nagar
Tirunelveli - 627011.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 15.9.2025 and to provide a land belongs to the respondents to an extent of 8 cents in the western portion of Survey No.708 of Kumarapuram Village, Thovalai Taluk, Kanyakumari District in lieu of the compensation for erection of the High Tension Towers in Survey No.709/1 of Kumarapuram Village, Thovalai Taluk, Kanyakumari District.



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For Petitioner :Mr.V.Sasikumar
For Respondents :Mr.S.Deenadhayalan
standing counsel

ORDER

The petitioner is before this Court seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 15.09.2025.

2. By the said representation, the petitioner has requested the first respondent to provide an alternate pathway to enable access from her land to the National Highway. According to the petitioner, electricity transmission lines have been drawn and towers have been erected in her land and, in lieu of compensation, she has sought allotment of an alternate pathway.

3. However, there is no provision under the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 for providing an alternate pathway in lieu of compensation. The petitioner would only be entitled to compensation for the erection of transmission towers and drawing of electricity lines over her land, if such compensation has not already been disbursed to her vendor.



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4. In view of the above, the Writ Petition stands disposed of with

a direction to the second respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 15.09.2025 on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

Index :Yes / No
Internet :Yes / No
NCC :Yes / No

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