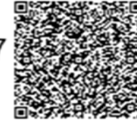




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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-10355-2026 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 15.05.2026

M/S SHANKAR TWINE PRODUCT PVT. LTD.

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mr. Surender Dhull, Advocate
and Mr. Vijay Dahiya, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Vashisht, D.A.G., Haryana.

Mr. Ravish Kaushik, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner through instant petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of Memo dated 18.08.2010 (Annexure P-1) and consequential orders including notice dated 15.12.2025 (Annexure P-10) whereby the respondents are raising demand alleging theft of electricity.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that despite acquittal in the criminal case, the petitioner has already deposited a sum of Rs.55 lacs

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towards alleged demand. The respondent lodged FIR and thereafter filed a criminal complaint which indicates that it was not a case of assessment under Section 126 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (for short '2003 Act') whereas it was a case of demand under Section 135 of the 2003 Act. As the petitioner stands acquitted and there is no liability created by the Special Court, the respondent has no authority either to withhold electricity supply or to raise any further demand.

3. On being confronted with the aforesaid facts and judgment of this Court in *“Rattan Singh Vs. State of Haryana & Ors.”*, *Law Finder Doc ID #2869383*, learned counsel for the respondent assures the Court that the electricity supply of the petitioner shall not be withheld and he would be released Solar connection if applies in accordance with law. He further submits that the respondent may be granted liberty to approach the Special Judge as per Section 154(5) of the 2003 Act.

4. In the wake of statement of learned counsel for the respondent, the present petition stands disposed of. The respondent shall not take any coercive steps with respect to alleged demand against the petitioner except to avail remedy as contemplated under Section 154(5) of 2003 Act.

5. Pending Misc. Application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

May 15, 2026
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[JAGMOHAN BANSAL]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No