

19th May, 2026
Item no.D/L 02
Court No. 18
Pradip, A.R.(Ct.)

In the High Court at Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
Appellate Side

Case No. **WPA 10160 of 2026**

In the matter of:

Mira Shaw

.... Petitioner

VS.

WBSEDCL & Ors.

....Respondents

For the Petitioner:

Ms. Lakshmi Shaw

....Advocate

For the WBSEDCL:

Dr. Madhusudan Saha Ray
Mr. Debanjan Chatterjee

....Advocates

1. The petitioner alleges that WBSEDCL has illegally and deliberately disconnected her electricity supply. It has been submitted that notice was not given before disconnection.
2. Prayer has been made to direct the respondent authority to reconnect the electric meter upon inspection of the same.
3. Learned advocate representing WBSEDCL submits, upon instruction that, the meter in question stands in the name of a deceased person. Despite repeated requests made to the petitioner, steps have not been taken for change of the name of the meter in favour of the petitioner.
4. Access to the meter for taking the meter readings is not provided. Without proper access to the meter, electricity bills cannot be raised properly.
5. It has been submitted that WBSEDCL is agreeable to install new ST meter at a place where access is easily available at its own

costs so that the petitioner will not face any difficulty at the time of recording the meter reading.

6. After hearing both the parties and on perusal of the documents it appears that for taking readings of the meter, access for inspection of the meter is to be provided by the petitioner.
7. The petitioner is directed to take steps for transfer of the name of the meter. All necessary formalities for transferring the name of the meter from the name of the deceased person shall be taken by the petitioner within a fortnight from date.
8. The formalities that are required to be complied for changing the obsolete meter to the present ST meter shall be intimated by WBSEDCL to the petitioner within a fortnight. The petitioner would be obliged to comply with all the formalities for the same.
9. It is ordered that, only men and agents of WBSEDCL will be allowed to enter the premises of the petitioner for taking the meter readings.
10. The petitioner who is present in Court, represented by her daughter, the learned advocate, gives consent in open Court that access will be provided to the men and agents of WBSEDCL for conducting inspection of the meter to be conducted by 21st May, 2026 and a report shall be placed before this Court on the adjourned date.
11. Relist the matter for further consideration on 22nd May, 2026.
12. Parties to act on the basis of the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

(Amrita Sinha, J.)