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IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT PUDUCHERRY

No. 1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2022.

Puducherry, the 31st January 2022.

ORDER

(Under Section 144 of Cr.P.C.)

Whereas, it is reported by the Electricity Department, Puducherry *vide* I.D. Note No. 412/ED/SE-HOD/2022, dated 27-01-2022 that the Engineer's and Employee's Privatisation Protest Committee of Electricity Department have submitted a letter to go on indefinite strike from 01-02-2022. In view of the above intimation, there is apprehension of disruption of regular supply of electricity and damage to Electricity Department properties within the District of Puducherry.

And whereas, it is emphasized that electricity is an essential service. Critical services like hospitals and water supply are also dependent on electric power supply. Any indefinite disruption in the supply of electricity is likely to cause disturbance to public tranquility and danger to human life, health and safety. This necessitates immediate prohibition of any activity which adversely affects the supply of electricity.

Now, therefore, I, E. Vallavan, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Puducherry, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me under section 144 of Cr.P.C., 1973, with a view to prevent disturbance to public tranquility and prevent danger to human life, health and safety, do hereby prohibit the employees of the Electricity Department, Puducherry or any other person to cause any disruption to electric power supply within the District of Puducherry. The employees of the Electricity Department are directed to perform their regular duties and ensure maintenance of regular electricity supply. There should be no action by any individual which prevents, or tends to prevent, or cause obstruction, annoyance or injury to any person lawfully employed in ensuring supply of electricity. There shall be no obstruction in the operation, maintenance and functioning of electricity providing establishments.

Any gathering in the form of strikes/protests/agitations at the locations of Electricity Department establishments shall be considered unlawful assembly and legal action under section 188 of IPC and other relevant provisions of law shall be initiated against the violators.

This order shall remain in force from 01-02-2022 onwards, until further orders.

The emergent nature of the case and the circumstances do not permit serving of notice to the concerned in due time and hence, this order is passed *ex parte* under section 144 (2) of Cr.P.C., 1973.

Given under my hand and seal on this 31st day of January 2022, at Puducherry.

E. VALLAVAN, I.A.S.,
District Magistrate, Puducherry.