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Date of Grievance: 04/06/2012 Date of Order: 05/07/2012 Period taken: 31 days

IN THE MATTER OF GRIEVANCE NO. K/E/614/726 OF 2012-2013 OF SHRI G. SHRINIVASAN, BADLAPUR (WEST) REGISTERED WITH CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM KALYAN ZONE, KALYAN ABOUT EXCESSIVE ENERGY BILL.

Shri G. Shrinivasan

B. No. 04,

OM Hare Krishna C.H.S. Ltd.

Belavali, Badlapur (West),

Dist - Thane: 421 501

(Here-in-after referred as Consumer)

Versus

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution
Company Limited through its
Assistant Engineer
Badlapur West Sub-Division

(Here-in-after referred as licensee)

- This Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum has been established under "Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Ombudsman) Regulation 2006" to redress the grievances of consumers. The regulation has been made by the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission vide powers conferred on it by Section 181 read with sub-section 5 to 7 of section 42 of the Electricity Act, 2003. (36 of 2003).
- 2) The consumer is a L.T. consumer of the licensee. The Consumer is billed as per residential tariff. Consumer registered grievance with the Forum on 04/06/2012 for Excessive Energy Bill.

The details are as follows:

Name of the consumer :- Shri G. Shrinivasan

Address: - As given in the title

Consumer No : - 021700017998

Reason of dispute: Excessive Energy Bill

- 3) The set of papers containing above grievance was sent by Forum vide letter No EE/CGRF/Kalyan/0447 dated 04/06/2012 to Nodal Officer of licensee. The licensee filed reply vide letter No. SE/KC-II/Tech/2906, dated 25/06/2012 through Nodal Officer Kalyan Circle II.
- 4) Against this consumer Officers of Licensee on 18th February 2012 inspected his meter and noticed the aspect of theft of energy, thereby panchanama was drawn and complaint is filed. In that respect consumer has approached the Officers of Licensee on 22/02/2012 and 10/03/2012 and as there was no any favorable relief in his favour, he approached this Forum on 04/06/2012.

We the Members of the Forum heard both sides in the meeting hall of the Forum's office on 26/06/2012. Licensee represented by Nodal Officer Shri Giradkar, Shri V. H. Kasal, Asstt. Engr. Consumer Shri G. Shrinivasan in person is present. He has placed his grievance in tune with his grievance application dt. 4th June 2012. We heard and considered the reply given on behalf of Licensee dt. 25/06/2012. It is made clear in reply by the Licensee that this aspect is now brought before this Forum, but Licensee has filed criminal case under Section 135 of Electricity Act 2003 against the consumer at Kalyan Special Court vide Case No. 44 / 2012. Set of papers alongwith reply are made available to the consumer Shri G. Shrinivasan during hearing. Now it is clear that consumer has approached this Forum about his grievance pertaining the theft case lodged by Licensee against him.

We find as seen from Clause 6.8 (b) of MERC Regulation 2006 which clearly speaks about the bar of jurisdiction as matter is already taken to the Special Court Kalyan. Hence we have no jurisdiction to deal this aspect. In result this matter is to be disposed of as we have no jurisdiction.

Consumer Shri Shrinivasan though tried to agitate about the bills issued for the period February to May 2003 but the said aspect is independent one, it cannot be dealt here at this stage. He is at liberty to agitate said aspect at a appropriate place as permissible under the rules.

Hence we pass the following order:

O-R-D-E-R

- 1) The present grievance of consumer is found barred under Clause 6.8 (b) of MERC Regulation 2006, hence proceedings stand disposed of.
- 2) The Consumer can file representation against this decision with the Hon. Electricity Ombudsman within 60 days from the date of this order at the following address.
 - "Office of the Electricity Ombudsman, Maharastra Electricity Regulatory Commission, 606/608, Keshav Bldg, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai 51".
- 3) Consumer, as per section 142 of the Electricity Act, 003, can approach Hon. Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission for non-compliance, part compliance or delay in compliance of this decision issued under "Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Ombudsman) Regulation 2003" at the following address:-

"Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission,13th floor, World Trade Center, Cuffe Parade, Colaba, Mumbai 05"

Date: 05/07/2012

(Mrs. S.A. Jamdar) Member CGRF Kalyan (R.V.Shivdas) Member Secretary CGRF Kalyan (Sadashiv S. Deshmukh)
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