

CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM M.S.E.D.C.L., PUNE ZONE, PUNE

Case No. 18/2017

Date of Grievance: 10.01.2017 Date of registration: 01.03.2017 Date of Order: 09.03.2017

In the matter of refund of security deposit alongwith SOP Compensation.

M/s. Indus Towers Limited, 2010, E-Core, 2nd floor, Marvel Edge, Vimanagar, Pune – 411014.

Complainant

(Herein after referred to as Consumer)

Versus

The Executive Engineer, M.S.E.D.C.L., Shivajinagar Division,

Respondent

(Herein after referred to as Licensee)

Pune.

Quorum

Chairperson Mr. S.N.Shelke Member Secretary Mrs. B.S.Savant Member Mr. S.S.Pathak

Appearance

For Consumer Mr.Sachin Mahangade

Mr.D.S.Talware (Representative)

For Respondent Mr.Ganesh Bhujbal, Dy.Manager

Shivajinagar Dn.

- 1) The Consumer has filed present Grievance application under regulation No. 6.4 of the MERC (CGRF & E.O.) Regulations, 2006.
- 2) The present consumer had filed grievance before IGRC, Ganeshkhind Urban Circle on 17.9.2016. But the IGRC did not decide the said grievance within stipulated period of two months, therefore the consumer filed grievance before this forum on 10.1.2017.

- The papers containing the above grievance were sent by the Forum to the The Executive Engineer, M.S.E.D.C.L., Shivajinagar Division, Pune vide letter no. EE/CGRF/PZ/Notice/04 of 2017/14 dtd.11.01.2017. Accordingly the Distribution Licensee i.e. MSEDCL filed its reply on 01.02.2017.
- 4) We heard both sides at length and gone through the contentions of the consumer and reply of the respondent and the documents placed on record by the parties.
- 5) Facts giving rise to the grievance are stated as under:

The consumer M/s. Indus Towers Ltd. having consumer No.160220954550 with connected load 33.00 KW was connected on 24.07.2008 in the tariff category LT-V B II. The said consumer surrendered the connection since its business at the said location was stopped. Then the consumer applied alongwith required documents for refund of security deposit of Rs.25220/- on 25.08.2015 to the S.D.O Shivajinagar. However the Licensee did not give any reply despite no any compliance was pending on the part of consumer. Thereafter the consumer approached to the IGRC for refund of security deposit vide complaint dated 17.09.2016. The IGRC failed to decide the said grievance within stipulated period. Therefore the consumer approached to Forum with this grievance for refund of security deposit with SOP compensation as per rules.

The consumer representative Mr.D.S.Talware, submitted that the above named consumer having consumer No. 170174163943 has surrendered the connection & then applied for refund of security deposit of Rs.25220/on 25.08.2016. However the Licensee did not give any reply or taken any action for refund of S.D. Thereafter the consumer approached to the IGRC with complaint for refund of S.D. on 17.09.2016. However the IGRC failed to decide the grievance within stipulated time. Therefore the consumer filed this grievance before the Forum against the Licensee for claiming refund of S.D. alongwith interest & SOP compensation for delay in refund

- of S.D. The consumer did not get refund of S.D.till date. Therefore Mr.Talware submits that the grievance be allowed with cost.
- 7) On the other hand Mr.Ganesh Bhujbal, Dy. Manager, Shivajinagar Dn. submitted that the Security Deposit of the said consumer has already been adjusted against its arrears of Rs.74330/- & the said consumer is still in arrears. Therefore there is no question to refund S.D.
- 8) On perusal of documents & bill of the said consumer it is seen that the S.D.of the said consumer has already been adjusted in the due amount of bills. Therefore there is no question of refund of Security Deposit.

Hence we proceed to pass following order.

ORDER

The grievance of the consumer stands dismissed with no order as to cost.

Delivered on: - 09.03.2017

Sd/-	Sd/-	Sd/-
S.S.Pathak	B.S.Savant	S.N.Shelke
Member	Member/Secretary	Chairperson
CGRF:PZ: PUNE	CGRF:PZ: PUNE	CGRF:PZ:PUNE

Note: - The consumer if not satisfied may filed representation against this order before the Hon'ble Ombudsman within 60 days from the date of this order at the following address.

Office of the Ombudsman, Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, 606/608, Keshav Bldg., Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai-51.