

## CONSUMER GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL FORUM

## M.S.E.D.C.L., PUNE ZONE, PUNE

Case No.53/2017

Date of Grievance : 24.07.2017 Date of Order : 22.09.2017

In the matter of shifting of overhead lines.

Mr. Devidas Ramdas Kale, At Post- Kalewadi/Darekarwadi, Ghodegaon, Tal. Ambegaon, Pune -412408. **Complainant** (Herein after referred to as Consumer)

## Versus

The Executive Engineer, M.S.E.D.C.L., Manchar Division, Pune. **Respondent** (Herein after referred to as Licensee)

## <u>Quorum</u>

Chairperson Member Secretary Member

For Respondent

Mr. S.N.Shelke Mrs. B.S.Savant Mr. S.S.Pathak

Appearance For Consumer

Mr. Mr. Devidas Ramdas Kale

Mr. Khandekar, EE, Manchar Dn. Mr. Prashant Gade, DyEE, Ghodegaon S/dn.

- The Consumer has filed present Grievance application under regulation No.
  6.4 of the MERC (CGRF& E.O.) Regulations -2006.
- Being aggrieved & dissatisfied by the order dated 31/05/2017 passed by IGRC Pune Rural Circle, Pune, the consumer above named prefers the present grievance application on the following amongst other grounds.
- 3. The papers containing the above grievance were sent by the forum to the

Executive Engineer, Manchar Division vide letter No. EE/CGRF/PZ /244 Dated 25/07/2017. Accordingly the Distribution License filed its reply on 04/09/2017.

- 4. The consumer namely Mrs. Sunita Devidas Kale having consumer No.17003062962218 with sanctioned load 0.10 KW was connected on 22.9.2009 in the category LT-1 Resi. I Phase. The consumer is a small holder having agriculture land situating at S.No.75/1/2/3, Ghodegaon (Inamvasti) Tal. Ambegaon, Dist.- Pune. The HT overhead lines 11KV, 22KV, 33KV (Talekar feeder and Aamundi feeder) are passing through the consumers land. Due to sparking at pole, Sugarcane crop of the consumer was burnt on 19.6.2017 & the consumer sustained heavy monetory loss. Labours do not work in the field of consumer due to noise & fear. The consumer cannot enjoy mangoes of the mango tree in the field. Therefore the consumer requests to alter/shift the overhead line. He claims rent for installation of poles in his land.
- 5. The consumer representative Mr.Devidas Kale submitted that the high tension overhead line is passing through consumer's land. Due to sparking at pole his sugar crop was burnt. There are two overhead lines passing through his land. Therefore the said HT overhead lines be shifted and installed in the straight line & compensation/rent for each pole installed in his field be paid to him.
- 6. On the other hand, Mr.Khandekar, EE, Manchar Dn. submitted that the consumer wants to shift overhead line from his land. As per the directions of the IGRC, regular maintenance & the tree cutting was being carried by the Licensee & no any incident of electrical shortcircuit has been noticed. If the consumer wants to shift HT line, he may apply under 1.3 N.C. The SDO Ghodegaon has carried out maintenance to avoid any type of interruptions, tripping & accidents. The works of said overhead line was completed before 15/20 years, therefore cause of grievance is more than 2 years and cannot be admitted.
- 7. The IGRC vide impugned order dated 31.5.2017 has directed the consumer if the consumer wants to shift the HT Line, he may apply under 1.3% NC scheme for removing of HT Lines from his field. Under the circumstances, the Licensee is required to make survey regarding feasibility of shifting overhead lines. The Licensee may verify as to whether they are liable to pay rent/compensation as

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per rules to the consumer for installation of poles in his land. The overhead lines are installed as per the provisions of section 68 & 69 of the Electricity Act, 2003. The consumer should have been raised of objection at the time of installation of the said line. Therefore for shifting the overhead lines from the field of consumer, he may move the matter to be Licensee as well as for safety precautions, before the Competent Authority in terms of Section 53 & 162 of E.Act.2003.

8. Grievance is accordingly disposed off.

Delivered on: - 22.09.2017

Sd/-	Sd/-	Sd/-
S.S.Pathak	<b>B.S.Savant</b>	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.