

**Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd.'s
Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum
Nagpur Urban Zone, Nagpur**

Case No. CGRF(NUZ)/103/2013

Applicant : Late Mohd.Bilal Mohd. Ibrahim,
Thr:- Mohd. Iliyas Pathan, Plot No.82,
Adarshanagar, Umred Road,
NAGPUR : 440 009.

Non-applicant : Nodal Officer,
The Superintending Engineer,
(Distribution Franchisee),
MSEDCL,
NAGPUR.

Quorum Present : 1) Shri. Shivajirao S. Patil
Chairman,

2) Adv. Subhash Jichkar,
Member,

3) Shri B.A. Wasnik,
Member Secretary.

ORDER PASSED ON 25.7.2013.

1. The applicant filed present grievance application before this Forum on 19.6.2013 under Regulation 6.4 of the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Electricity Ombudsman) Regulations, 2006 (hereinafter referred to as Regulations).

2. The applicants' case in brief is that the applicant received excessive bill for June 2013. On his complaint meter was tested and told that meter is O.K. Economical condition of the

applicant is not in a position to pay the bill. Therefore applicant prayed for testing of the meter and revision of bill.

3. Non applicant M/s. SPANCO denied applicant's case by filing reply Dt. 10.7.2013. It is submitted that on request of the applicant meter was tested on 13.6.2013 and it was found O.K. Learned I.G.R.C. dismissed grievance application of the applicant. Amount of Rs. 19965.41 is due and outstanding against the applicant.

4. Forum heard arguments of both the sides and perused the record.

5. Record shows that meter of the applicant was tested and it is found O.K. Non applicant produced meter testing report Dt. 13.6.2013 on record which shows that meter is O.K. Non applicant also produced spot inspection report regarding the load, which shows that there are 2 T.Vs., 4 Fans, 5 CFLs, 2 Refridgeratorss and 2 coolers in the house of the applicant. We have also perused all entries in CPL carefully and scrupulously. It appears that meter of the applicant is O.K. and therefore consumption recorded by the meter is the consumption utilized by the applicant and therefore there is no need to revise the bills.

6. It is true that in the month of May 2013, the consumption is shown as 1731 units and in June 2013 Consumption shown as 634 units. However, it is a common sense that if there is any marriage function or any other religious

function in house, consumption may be increased. In the instance of renovation of old construction or changing of tiles of some portion of old house, incase instruments like drill machines etc. are used continuously by the labours consumption may be increased. Like wise we could not ignore the aspect that there are certain consumers in the society who cooperate neighbours and give electricity supply to some of their neighbours by erecting wire for certain emergency period and in such circumstances also consumption can be increased. In the present case as the meter is O.K. we can not say that reading of May 2013 and June 2013 are incorrect because in those months also meter was not faulty and it was O.K.

7. We have carefully perused order passed by Learned I.G.R.C. Dt. 19.6.2013. It is correct and legal and therefore needs no interference and hence the following order : -

ORDER

- 1) Grievance application is dismissed.

Sd/-
(Shri B.A. Wasnik)
MEMBER
SECRETARY

Sd/-
(Adv.Subhash Jichkar)
MEMBER

Sd/-
(ShriShivajirao S.Patil)
CHAIRMAN