

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

Case No. CGRF(NZ)/122/2016

Applicant : Shri Gajanan P.Chincholkar
At.Po.Kanchangaon
Tq.Hinganghat
Dist.Wardha.

Non-applicant : Nodal Officer,
The Executive Engineer,
O&M Division,MSEDCL, Hinganghat.

Applicant's Representative :- Shri Betal,

Respondent by:- 1) Shri Pawade, E.E.,Hinganghat Dn.
2) Shri Awachat, Dy.E.E., Hinganghat (R) S/Dn.

Quorum Present : 1) Shri Shivajirao S.Patil
CHAIRMAN
2) Mrs.V.N.Parihar
Member/Secretary
3) Shri N.V.Bansod,
Member

ORDER PASSED ON 02.09.2016.

1. The applicant filed present grievance application before this Forum on 25.07.2016 under Regulation 6.4 of the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Electricity Ombudsman) Regulations, 2006 (hereinafter referred to as said Regulations).
2. Non applicant, denied applicant's case by filing reply dated 23.08.2016.
3. Forum heard arguments of both the sides and perused record.
4. Applicant applied for agricultural connection on 19-09-2014 but demand was issued on 03-02-2015. Therefore there is delay in issuing demand for the

period 05-10-2014 to 02-02-2015 and applicant is entitled for compensation according to MERC's SOP Regulation.

5. Amount of demand is paid on 16-02-2015. Test report is not submitted by the applicant. According to applicant test report is refused by MSEDCL. However no postal evidence of refusal is produced by the applicant. Therefore we find no force in the contention of the applicant that test report is refused. It is very easy to say that test report is refused with a view to grab compensation amount. Necessary formalities are not complied by the applicant and therefore he is not entitle for compensation for late supply. According to non-applicant, as test report is not submitted therefore connection is not released. Non-applicant produced spot panchanama dated 22-08-2016 on record. In this panchanama it is specifically mentioned that poles are erected but connection is not release. Therefore applicant shall submit the test report. Infrastructure is not ready therefore period for releasing connection is 90 days from the date of submission of test report. Therefore applicant shall submit test report & after expiry of 90 days from the date of receiving the test report, non-applicant shall release the supply.

6. Hence the following order.

ORDER

1. Grievance application is partly allowed.
2. Non-applicant shall pay compensation to the applicant for delay in issuing demand for the period 05-10-2014 to 02-02-2015 according to MERC's SOP Regulation.
3. Applicant shall submit the test report & after expiry of 90 days therefore non-applicant shall release the agricultural connection to the applicant.
4. Non-applicant is directed to comply within 30 days from the date of this order.

Sd/-
(N.V.Bansod)
MEMBER

sd/-
(Mrs.V.N.Parihar)
MEMBER/SECRETARY

sd/-
(Shivajirao S. Patil),
CHAIRMAN