

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

Case No. CGRF(NZ)/143/2016

Applicant : Shri Bhimrao M.Bhujade
At.Manora,Po.Kajalsara
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 Awachat, Dy.EE, Hinganghat 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 26.09.2016.

1. The applicant filed present grievance application before this Forum on 29.08.2016 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 22.09.2016.
3. Forum heard arguments of both the sides and perused record.
4. Applicant applied for agricultural connection on 19-03-2013. Demand was issued on 25-05-2014. Therefore there is delay in issuing demand for the

period 04-04-2013 to 24-05-2014 but applicant did not approach this forum within 2 years from the date of cause of action. However present application is filed before this forum on 29-08-2016. Therefore claim for compensation for delay in demand is barred by limitation according to Regulation 6.6 of the said Regulation.

5. Applicant paid amount of demand on 20-09-2014 & submitted test report on 24-09-2014 but connection is released on 22-09-2016. Therefore there is delay in releasing the connection for the period 24-12-2014 to 21-09-2016 and applicant is entitled for compensation according to MERC's SOP Regulation.

6. Hence the following order.

ORDER

1. Grievance application is partly allowed.
2. Claim for compensation for delay in issuing demand is barred by limitation therefore rejected.
3. MSEDCL is directed to pay compensation to the applicant for delay in releasing connection for the period 24-12-2014 to 21-09-2016 according to MERC's SOP Regulation.
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