

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

Case No. CGRF(NZ)/140/2016

Applicant : Shri Kashinath R. Ghumade
At.Po. Waigaon
Tq.Samudrapur
Dist.Wardha.

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

Applicant's Representative :- Shri Betal,

Respondent by:- 1) Shri Hedau Dy.EE, Samudrapur 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 03.10.2016

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 08.09.2015 but demand was issued on 03.01.2016. Therefore there is delay in issuing demand for the

period 24.09.2015 to 02.01.2015 & applicant is entitled for compensation according to MERC'S SOP regulation.

5. Applicant paid amount of demand on 18.01.2016. According to applicant he submitted the test report on 20-01-2016 but according to MSEDCL test report is not submitted. Applicant did not produce any Postal Evidence or acknowledgement of non-applicant on record therefore we hold that applicant did not submit test report & has not completed all requisite formalities.

6. By way of test check we inquired to the applicant whether he purchased electric motor pump set, capacitor, wiring, buttons & other necessary material before preparation of test report. Applicant told that he will produce receipts to prove that he purchase equipments of electrical installments. Today applicant produced certain papers. He produced one hand written "vikri chitthi" mentioning therein that he purchase one old motor pump from one Tilokchand Suganchand dt.16.01.2016 (on revenue stamp of Rs.1). It appears that it is manipulated & fabricated document. Secondly applicant produced 1 estimate / quotation for purchasing electric buttons, starter, plug, capacitor, earthing, wiring etc. But it is merely a quotation/estimate & it is not receipt for purchase. Secondly name of the shop & address of the shop alongwith name of the town is nowhere mentioned on this quotation. On bold letters, it is simply return "savic & smart series". It is not mentioned whether it is the shop of wardha, Nagpur, Mumbai etc. Therefore it is bogus quotation.

7. For this reasons it appears that uptill now applicant even did not purchase Motor/pump & articles of electrical equipments & therefore no test report was prepared.

8. Therefore necessary formalities are not completed by the applicant therefore there is no delay in releasing the connection.

9. Hence the following order.

ORDER

1. Grievance application is partly allowed.
2. Non-applicant shall pay compensation to the applicant for the delay in issuing demand for the period 24.09.2015 to 02.01.2015 according to MERC'S SOP regulation.
3. Applicant shall complete all necessary formalities & submit test report & on such compliance, MSEDCL shall release Agricultural connection of the applicant within a stipulated time 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