Before Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Limited Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum, Pune Zone, 925, Kasabapeth Building, IInd flr. Pune-11

Case No. 19/2013

Date: 30/12/2013

In the matter of Shri.Sushil Kantilal Bang, A/14, Neeta Teres, 2 Mangaldas Road, Nathanroad, Near Wadia College, Pune-1. - Complainant

V/S

The Executive Engineer, M.S.E.D.C.L., Bundgarden Division, Pune. - Opponent

Quorum

Chair Person Shri.S.D.Madake Member/Secretary, Shri.N.S.Prasad

Member Shri.Suryakant Pathak

- Complainant filed the present complaint as per the provisions of Section 42 (S) of Electricity Act-2003. Initially complaint was filed before Internal Grievance Redressal Forum on 17.5.2013. The complainant was dissatisfied by the decision of the Internal Grievance Redressal Forum dated 4.7.2013.
- 2. The main issue is complainant purchased the property located at CTs No.2, Flat No.14 admeasuring about 145 sq.m. part of Neeta Terrace Co-Operative Housing Socy.Ltd.on 7.2.2013. The electricity connection was in the name of Mr.Prashant S. Rajgrahia at the time of purchase of flat vide No.170011303539. The arrears were paid prior to purchase by complainant.

- 3. According to complainant when application was made for change of name, it was informed that one more connection was there in the same premises in 2010. It was further informed that an amount of Rs.64,000/-(Rs.Sixty Four Thousand only) was in arrears in respect of the said connection. Complainant was informed that payment of the said amount was necessary before change of the name. It is submitted the electricity connection was taken due to said arrears. The disconnected Electricity supply was resumed after Complainant paid part payment on 23.5.2013. The consumer submitted that, he shall not be liable to pay the said amount.
- 4. M.S.E.D.C.L. alleged that electricity connection vide No.170014720483 was in the name of Smt.Prbha Santoshkumar Rajgrahiya which was permanently disconnected in June-2010 due to arrears of Rs.64120/-(Rs.Sixty Four thousand one hundred twenty only) It was found that another connection was released in the name of Prashant on 7.3.2011 in the same premises. The said connection was made permanent disconnected on 26.4.2013 & necessary action was taken against Jr. Engineer for releasing connection.
- 5. We have kept the matter for hearing on 16.11.2013. The matter was adjourned on the request of M.S.E.D.C.L. to 5.12.2013 for production of documents.
- 6. Consumer filed an application on 7.12.2013 for withdrawal of the complaint. He submitted that total amount of arrears has been paid prior to filing of the complaint. He submitted that the person from whom he purchased the property has paid total amount of arrears. He voluntarily submitted application for withdrawal of complaint. He requested that complaint be closed.
- 7. We have perused the documents and found that M.S.E.D.C.L has recovered that arrears from consumer which were due and payable by earlier owner of property. M.S.E.D.C.L has submitted that necessary action has been taken against responsible person who has given

connection in the name of Prashant. It is pertinent to note that consumer was subjected to harassment due to wrongful act of M.S.E.D.C.L officers, as his electricity supply was disconnected without proper procedure & meter was also made permanently disconnected. Consumer voluntarily waived his right by withdrawing the complaint. Hence we pass order:

ORDER

- 1. Complaint is disposed of.
- 2. No order as to cost.

N.S.Prasad, Member/Secretary Suryakant Pathak Member S.D.Madake Chair Person

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