

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

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**Case No. CGRF(NZ)/34/2019**

Applicant : Shri Santosh K. Godghate,  
At – Nandori, Taluka - Hinganghat,  
Dist. - Wardha.

Non–applicant : Nodal Officer,  
The Executive Engineer,  
Hinganghat Dn., M.S.E.D.C.L.,  
Hinganghat.

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Applicant represented by : Shri B. V. Betal,  
Non-applicant represented by: 1) Shri D.R. Bawankar, Dy.E.E.,  
MSEDCL,

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Quorum Present : 1) Shri Arvind Jayram Rohee,  
Chairperson.  
2) Mrs. V.N.Parihar,  
Member Secretary  
3) Mrs. Asmita Avinash Prabhune,  
Member(CPO)

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**ORDER PASSED ON 14-05-2019**

1) The applicant approached this Forum under clause 6.4 the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Electricity Ombudsman) Regulations 2006, since his claim for grant of compensation for delay in releasing new connection of 3 H.P. Agricultural pump is rejected.

- 2) The Non applicant by reply dt. 08.05.2019 supported the order dt.08.03.2019 passed by IGRC and disclosed reasons for delay. It is also stated that the applicant requires 1.5 K.M. long High Tension Cable as per A.G. – HVDS scheme. However, since, it is for more than 0.6 KM. High-Tension Cable, In view of Government resolution dt. 15.11.18 and 01.01.2019 solar electric connection will be given to applicant.
- 3) On 14.05.19 when the matter is called out for final hearing, applicant's representative Shri B.V. Betal attended, whereas Non applicant is represented by Shri B.R. Bawankar, Dy.E.E. Hinganghat Division.
- 4) Oral submissions of both the parties heard. We have carefully perused the case record.
- 5) The applicant applied for electric connection for his Agricultural pump through conventional mode on 10.06.2016. However, subsequently Govt. took a decision to grant solar connection only vide G.R. dated 15.11.2018 & 01.01.2019. It is stated that the applicant is not informed by the Non applicant in this behalf for which online application is required to be submitted.
- 6) The Non-applicant is, therefore, directed to give written intimation to the applicant within 7 days from today to submit online application for solar connection. The deposit made by the applicant as per Demand Note dated 03.11.2016 for conventional mode, shall be adjusted in the Demand Note of solar connection to be issued.

- 7) It is obvious that claim for compensation for delay in releasing electric connection through conventional mode is barred by limitation, since cause of action to approach IGRC arose on 18.02.2017 & he approached only on 10.01.2018 i.e. beyond 60 days.
- 8) Grievance application in, therefore, rejected, However with directions as above. It is obvious that IGRC did not consider the two G.Rs. referred above. Hence the order stands modified, by issuing directions as above.
- 9) The applicants representative is directed to apprise the applicant about this order.
- 10) No order as to costs.

Sd/-  
**(Mrs. Asmita A. Prabhune)**  
MEMBER(CPO)

Sd/-  
**(Mrs. V.N.Parihar)**  
MEMBER SECRETARY

Sd/-  
**(Arvind J. Rohee)**  
CHAIRPERSON