

#### BEFORE THE VIDYUT OMBUDSMAN FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

First Floor 33/11 kV Substation, Hyderabad Boat Club Lane Lumbini Park, Hyderabad - 500 063

## PRESENT: SRI MOHAMMAD NIZAMUDDIN VIDYUT OMBUDSMAN

# SATURDAY THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY TWO

## Appeal No. 49 of 2021-22

#### Between

Sri N.Srinivas, s/o. Ramanaiah, H.No.5-3-365, Vidyanagar Colony, Kamareddy, Kamareddy Mandal and District. Cell: 8522000338, 9885334284.

.....Appellant

#### AND

- 1. The Assistant Engineer / Operation / D2 / Kamareddy.
- The Assistant Divisional Engineer / Operation / Town/ Kamareddy.
- The Divisional Engineer / Operation / Kamareddy.

## ..... Respondents

This appeal is coming on before me for final hearing on 12.09.2022 in the presence of the appellant, in person and Sri C.Ganesh - DE/OP/Kamareddy and Smt. K. Jyothi - AE/OP/Town2/Kamareddy representing the respondents and having stood over for consideration till this day, this Vidyut Ombudsman passed the following:-

#### AWARD

This appeal is preferred aggrieved by the Award passed by the Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum - Nizamabad (in short 'the Forum') of Telangana State Southern Power Distribution Company Limited (in short 'TSNPDCL') in C.G.No.415/2021/Kamareddy Circle dt.06.11.2021.

#### CASE OF THE APPELLANT BEFORE THE FORUM

2. The case of the appellant is that a 33 KV Chinnamallareddy feeder line was passing through the premises of the appellant without maintaining the minimum gap. Gap is required to avoid electrical accidents. Therefore he prayed the learned Forum to direct the respondents to shift the line stated above by maintaining the minimum gap.

## WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS OF THE RESPONDENTS

 In the written submissions filed by respondent No.1, it is, inter alia submitted that the contractor, while executing the work, has not followed the Rules in maintaining the required distance from the property of the appellant.

#### AWARD OF THE FORUM

- 4. After considering the material on record and after hearing both sides, the learned Forum has directed the respondents to maintain the required distance of 1.83 metres (6 feet) in erecting the 33 KV line from the property of the appellant within 15 days from the date of Award.
- Since the respondents have not complied with the Award passed by the learned Forum, the present appeal was preferred for suitable directions.
- In the present appeal respondent No.3 has filed a letter dt.12.09.2022 submitting that the shifting of line as desired by the appellant was done to his satisfaction.

- The appellant has also filed a letter dt.12.09.2022 to the similar effect and praying to close the appeal.
- Heard both sides.

#### POINTS

- The points that arise for consideration are:
  - i) Whether there are sufficient grounds to close the appeal as prayed for ?
  - ii) To what relief?

## POINT No. (i)

## REASONS FOR DELAY IN DISPOSING OF THE APPEAL

- 10. Since I took charge as Vidyut Ombudsman on 01.07.2022 and since there was no regular Vidyut Ombudsman earlier, the appeal was not disposed of within the prescribed period.
- 11. Inasmuch as the respondents have complied with the direction in the impugned Award of the learned Forum as desired by the appellant, it is necessary to close the appeal as prayed for.

## POINT No. (iii)

12. In view of the finding on point No. (i) the appeal is liable to be closed.

#### RESULT

In the result, the appeal is closed.

A copy of this Award is made available at https://vidyutombudsman-tserc.gov.in.

Typed to my dictation by Office Executive-cum-Computer Operator, corrected and pronounced by me on this the 15th day of October 2022.

Sd/-

Vidyut Ombudsman

- Sri N.Srinivas, s/o. Ramanaiah, H.No.5-3-365, Vidyanagar Colony, Kamareddy, Kamareddy Mandal and District. Cell: 8522000338, 9885334284.
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- The Chairperson, Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum- II, TSNPDCL.Nizamabad.