## Before the MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION World Trade Centre, Centre No.1, 13th Floor, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai 400005 Tel. 022 22163964/65/69 Fax 22163976 Email: mercindia@merc.gov.in Website: www.merc.gov.in

## Date: 17 January, 2023

<u>CORAM:</u> Sanjay Kumar, Chairperson I. M. Bohari, Member Mukesh Khullar, Member

### Case No. 175 of 2022

# Case filed by M/s. Shraddha Dairy seeking compliance of CGRF, Amaravati Order dated 27 May, 2022

M/s. Shraddha Dairy	: Petitioner
Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. (MSEDCL)	: Respondent

### Appearance:

For the Petitioner	: Shri. Ashish Chandarana (Rep.)
For the Respondent	: Shri. Prashant Lahane (Rep.)

# **Draft Daily Order**

- 1. Heard representatives of the Petitioner and Respondent.
- 2. Representative of the Petitioner stated that MSEDCL has filed the reply on 13 January 2023 and that the said reply was not related to the present Case. The Petitioner brought the discrepancy to the notice of MSEDCL and thereafter, on 16 January, 2023 just a day before the hearing, MSEDCL has filed the correct reply in the present Case. Therefore, the Petitioner requested the Commission to allow time for filing rejoinder to reply filed by MSEDCL on 16 January, 2023. The Petitioner reiterated that MSEDCL has not complied with CGRF Order dated 27 May, 2022. Petitioner further stated that MSEDCL has submitted the proposal for refund of electricity duty to the office of the Electrical Inspector on 13 January, 2023 just few days before the hearing and

Shri. Suresh Madavi (Rep.)

has not communicated to the Petitioner regarding any compliance with respect to the refund proposal.

- 3. Representative of MSEDCL stated that it has inadvertently filed the wrong reply due to confusion of two consumers having similar names and after realising the same have revised their reply on 16 January, 2023. He further stated that the proposal of duty refund is submitted to the office of the Electrical Inspector and is pending due to submission Indemnity Bond from Petitioner. Further MSEDCL has stopped levying duty in the Petitioner's electricity bills from the date of CGRF Order.
- 4. The Commission expresses its displeasure for such irresponsible working of the officers of MSEDCL. Taking serious note, the Commission directs the concerned officers of MSEDCL in the present matter to file clarification on following:
  - a. Steps taken (datewise from the CGRF Order) for compliance of CGRF Orders
  - b. Compliance status of CGRF Order.
- 5. The Commission grants seven days' time to the Petitioner for filing the rejoinder and directs the concerned Superintendent Engineer, MSEDCL to proactively ensure the compliance of the CGRF Order. The reply as per para 4 above shall be submitted within one week.

The next date of hearing will be communicated by the Secretariat of the Commission, subject to the submissions from parties.

Sd/-(Mukesh Khullar) Member Sd/-(I. M. Bohari) Member

Sd/-(Sanjay Kumar) Chairperson