Before the

MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Dated: 31 January 2023

CORAM: Sanjay Kumar, Chairperson I. M. Bohari, Member Mukesh Khullar, Member

Dairy No. 16 of 2023

Petition filed by M/s Nu Power Renewables Pvt. Ltd. mentioning for urgent listing in respect of disconnection from grid by MSEDCL for non-installation of meters at the Petitioner's Wind Project

Dairy No. of 2023

Petition filed by M/s Sispara Renewables Power Pvt. Ltd., mentioning for urgent listing seeking inter alia quashing of impugned Notice dated 05.01.2023 passed by MSEDCL.

Dairy No. of 2023

Petition filed by M/s Kalsubai Power Pvt. Ltd. mentioning for urgent listing seeking, inter alia quashing of Impugned Notice dated 05.01.2023 passed by MSEDCL.

Dairy No. 19 of 2023

Petition filed by M/s Rajlaxmi Minerals mentioning for urgent listing in respect of Notice dated 05.01.2023 issued by MSEDCL for alleged contraventions under its Wind Energy Purchase Agreement

- 1. M/s Nu Power Renewables Pvt. Ltd.
- 2. M/s Sispara Renewables Power Pvt. Ltd.,
- 3. M/s Kalsubai Power Pvt. Ltd.
- 4. M/s Rajlaxmi Minerals

.. Petitioners/ Applicants

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. (MSEDCL) Respondent

Arguing Counsels for the cases.

For M/s Nu Power Renewables Pvt. Ltd : Shri Venkatesh (Adv.)

For M/s Sispara Renewables Power Pvt. Ltd., : Shri Avijeet Lala (Adv.)

For M/s Kalsubai Power Pvt. Ltd. : Shri Avijeet Lala (Adv.)

For M/s Rajlaxmi Minerals : Shri Pradeep Nayak (Adv.)

For MSEDCL : Shri Rahul Sinha (Adv.)-

Connected but did not argue

Daily Order

- 1. Heard the Advocates of the Petitioners/ Applicants and MSEDCL.
- 2. Advocate of the Petitioners/ Applicants stated that MSEDCL vide Notice dated 5 January 2023 and 9 January 2023 directed concerned Petitioners to install meter at individual wind turbine locations within a period of 7 days, otherwise necessary action may be initiated as per the provisions of Wind Energy Purchase Agreements (WEPA). Thereafter, few Wind Generators approached the Hon'ble Bombay High Court seeking interim protection from disconnections. The Hon'ble Bombay High Court vide Order dated 17 January 2023 granted liberty to these Wind Generators for approaching before the MERC and directed MSEDCL to not take any coercive action till 31 January 2023. In view of the above present Applications has been filed for mentioning of these matters for urgent listing.
- 3. The Commission notes that some Petitioners (Sispara Renewables and Kalsubai Power) have protections from the Hon'ble Bombay High Court from disconnection of its Wind Turbines, whereas some other Petitioners (Nu Power and Rajlaxmi Minerals) have approached directly before the Commission. These Petitioners have requested the Commission to restrain MSEDCL from taking any coercive action till the disposal of the present matters.
- 4. In view of the above circumstances, the Commission is listing these matters for urgent hearing on Tuesday, 7 February 2023 at 12.30 pm and till that time or further Order in these matters, MSEDCL shall not take any coercive action against the above petitioners or any of the similarly placed Wind Generators.

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