Before the

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CORAM: Sanjay Kumar, Chairperson Anand M. Limaye, Member Surendra J. Biyani, Member

Case No. 193 of 2023

Petition of Mr. Sunil Shantilal Agarwal, Dhule, against Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd., seeking compliance of the CGRF, Nashik Order dated 22 November 2022 in Complaint No. 20 of 2021.

Mr. Sunil Shantilal Agarwal, Dhule : Petitioner
Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. (MSEDCL) : Respondent

Appearance:

For the Petitioner : Mr. Bharat Agrawal (Rep.)

For the MSEDCL : Mr. R. B. Joshi (Rep.)

Mr. R. G. Hadke (Rep.)

Daily Order

- 1. Heard the representatives of the Petitioner and MSEDCL.
- 2. The Petitioner stated that CGRF, Nasik Order dated 22 November 2022 has not been complied with by MSEDCL in its entirety. MSEDCL has made refund of payment, with 6% rate of interest and not with the 9% interest rate as per CGRF, Nasik Order.
- 3. The Commission noted that although Petitioner is contending part compliance of CGRF Order, said part compliance is done after inordinate delay. On enquiring about the person responsible for such a delay, the representative of MSEDCL has informed that Mr. R. M. Patil, then Executive Engineer has not acted promptly. Based on such statement made during

- the hearing, the Commission directs MSEDCL to initiate disciplinary action and issue charge sheet against Mr. R. M. Patil for inordinate delay in compliance of CGRF Order.
- 4. On petitioner's claim of part compliance of CGRF Order, both representatives of MSEDCL i.e. Mr. R. B. Joshi, Executive Engineer, and Mr R. G. Hadke, Add. Executive Engineer are not able to answer the questions of the Commission and waisted time of all, hence the Commission imposed penalty of Rs 10,000/- against each of these Officers, which is to be deposited with the office of the Commission within 7 days.
- 5. MSEDCL to comply with the CGRF Order in its entirety with payment of differential amounts and submit a full compliance report, inclusive of compliance of all above directions as well, on affidavit, within seven (07) days, with a copy to the Petitioner. The Petitioner may file its reply, thereafter, immediately.

The next date of the hearing will be intimated separately by the Secretariat of the Commission.

Sd/-(Surendra J. Biyani) Member Sd/-(Anand M. Limaye) Member Sd/-(Sanjay Kumar) Chairperson

(Dr. Rajendra G. Ambekar) Secretary