



# महाराष्ट्र विद्युत नियामक आयोग

## Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission



माहितीचा  
अधिकार



एक कदम स्वच्छता की ओर

Dt. 12.06.2024

NO.: MERC/ADM/RTI/035/2024/0341

To,  
Shri. Mehmood Husain Qureshi,  
Near Ved Bhawan,  
Nala Paar Kothiwal Nagar,  
Moradabad – 244001 (U.P.)

Subject :- Your application dated 28.05.2024 submitted under RTI Act, 2005.

Sir,

The office of the Commission is in receipt of your application on dated 31.05.2024 under section 6 (1) RTI Act 2005 seeking information by the PIO. Applicant has sought the information as under:-

No	Information Sought	Information Provide
1	I am enclosing herewith photo copy of electricity bill dated 8.01.2024 for Rs. 5715.62 of consumer no. B-1301013 ID A/C No. 102077213, cycle #18, book # 207, service #013 invoice no. 600010814434, tariff #LT-1b total outstanding bill upto Nov. 22 issued in the name of my real parent aunty Mrs. Badrunira Manjoor Ahmed Qureshi w/o Late Mr. Manzoor Ahmed Qureshi nagar Near Jama Masjid, S. V. Road, Bandra (West), Mumbai- 400050 (Maharashtra) for want of current bill copy dated 8.05.2024 (May 24) showing present outstanding of all dues in bill detail enabling me to clear long pending outstanding dues since Nov 22 as well prior copy of last payment made against this bill in details for your ready reference and kind perusal .	This information not available with office of the Commission.  The Hon'ble Bombay High Court by its order dated 13.10.2011, interalia stayed the Maharashtra State Information Commission's order dated 14.03.2011 Adani Electricity Mumbai Ltd. being not a 'public Authority' as defined under the provisions of Section 2 (h) of the Right to Information Act, 2005. (Attached Order copy)
2	Another new electric meter connection had been reported installed at the above noted house premises in the name of Shaisla w/o Qayamuddin s/o Sh Islam during the period from February 2017 to February 2022 while dues were outstanding in the name of Mrs. Badrunnisa Manjoor Ahmed Qureshi present previous A/C # 102077213 pending since Nov. 22 without clearing outstanding dues against connection # B-12010113 in the name of Badrunnisa Manjoor Ahmed Qureshi. All correct information must be provided on time as to why new electricity connection was reported installed on which documents basis and under which rules and regulations in what circumstances without doing P. D. of old consumer # B13010113. All filled documents photo copies must be made available regarding new connection to applicant on time within prescribed time limit as per guidelines of RTI Act 2005.	Therefore, transfer of application under Section 6 (3) of RTI Act, 2005 is not required.
3	If a new electricity connection is installed at premises while already dues are pending against old one then in such circumstances / conditions how many connections have been installed by department from March, 2017 to February 2022. A correct ... complete list of all such connections must be provided on time duly certified by you.	

4	How much amount is to be deposited as security and what documents are to be submitted by the consumer at the time of applying to get new electricity connection and how long time to wait for installation new electric meter. All correct information should be provided to applicant on time within the prescribed time limit of 30 days.	Information sought regarding New Connections is available in MERC (Electricity Supply code and Standard of Performance of Distribution Licensees including Power Quality) Regulation, 2021. The copy of the same is available on MERC website i.e. <a href="http://www.merc.gov.in">www.merc.gov.in</a> in downloadable format.**
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Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Department of Personnel Training No. 11/2/2008-IR dated 10th July, 2008 mentioned that, "According to section 2(f) of the Act, 'information' means 'any material in any form'. A citizen, under the Act, has a right to get 'material' from a public authority which is held by or under the control of that public authority. The right includes inspection of work, documents, records; taking notes, extracts or certified copies of documents or records; taking certified samples of material; taking information in the form of diskettes, floppies, tapes video cassettes or in any other electronic mode or through printouts where such information is stored in a computer or in any other device. Careful reading of the definition of 'information' and 'right to information' makes it clear that a citizen has a right to get the material, inspect the material, take notes from the material, take extracts or certified copies of the material, take samples of the material, take the material in the form of diskettes etc. The PIO is required to supply such material to the citizen who seeks it. The Act, however, does not require the Public Information Officer to deduce some conclusion from the 'material' and supply the 'conclusion' so deduced to the applicant. The PIO is required to supply the 'material' in the form as held by the public authority and is not required to do research on behalf of the citizen to deduce anything from the material and then supply it to him".

If you have personal complaints, the Commission has set up a Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum system. Consumer can approach to this system for their grievance. Address: Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum, Adani Electricity Mumbai Ltd., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Adani Electricity Office, Devidas Lane, S. V. Road, Near Devidas Lane Telephone Exchange Office, Borivali (W), Mumbai - 400103.

\*\* As per the Hon'ble CIC decision No. CIC/YA/A/2014/000379/SB Dated 19.09.2016 in the matter of Shri. K. Lall Vs M. K. Bagri, Assistant Registrar of Companies and CPIO, Appeal No. CIC/AT/A/2007/00112, dated 12.04.2007, since the same is available in public domain, the PIO is not obliged to provide the same to the appellants under the RTI Act.

Shri. Abhijeet Chatuphale, Deputy Director (Admin & Finance) is the first Appellate Authority for the purpose of Appeal under Sub- Section (1) of section 19 of the Right Information Act, 2005. Address: Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, World Trade Centre, Centre No.1, 13th Floor, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai – 400005 Tel. No. 022-22163964/65/69. Email: [abhijeet.chatuphale@merc.gov.in](mailto:abhijeet.chatuphale@merc.gov.in).

Yours faithfully,



(Arun Walunj)

Public Information Officer & Under Secretary

Attach : 1. Your Postal Order No. 64F-005031

2. Bombay High Court Order dated 13.10.2011