

Before the
MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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M.A. No. 13 of 2015 in Case No. 42 of 2015 (Miscellaneous Application)

Dated: 7 January, 2016

CORAM: Shri Azeez M. Khan, Member
Shri. Deepak J. Lad, Member

In the matter of

Petition filed by the Seafood Exporters Association of India under Section 142 & 146 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with sections 62, 64 and 86(1)(a) of the Act in terms of the Orders passed by the Commission.

The Seafood Exporters Association of IndiaPetitioner

V/s

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

2. Superintending Engineer, MSEDCL, Ratnagiri. Respondents

Appearance

For the Petitioner: ...Ms. Deepa Chavan (Sr. Counsel)

For the Respondents: ...Shri. Ashish Singh (Advocate)

Consumer Representative: ...Dr. Ashok Pendse (TBIA)

Daily Order

Heard the Advocate of the Petitioner and Respondents, Authorised Consumer Representative.

1. Advocate of the Petitioner submitted that the Commission in its daily Order in Case No.42 of 2015 dated 24 November, 2015 has directed MSEDCL not to take any coercive action against the Petitioner's Members till final disposal of the matter. Contrary to the Commission's direction, on 14 December, 2015 Superintending Engineer, Ratnagiri Circle raised bills with retrospective demands on three members of the Petitioner Association. After filing of instant matter, MSEDCL vide letter dated 5 January, 2016 had withdrawn the demand notes issued to them. MSEDCL's action had consequential impact on the Petitioner's business hence the Commission may strictly reprimand it for the action.
2. The Advocate of MSEDCL submitted that the retrospective demands were inadvertently sent to the members of the Petitioner. Further, on 5 January, 2016 MSEDCL has withdrawn the raised demands. MSEDCL tendered unconditional apology for the same and requested to take lenient view.
3. Dr. Ashok Pendse (TBIA) stated that there is a need to pass strictures on MSEDCL for non compliance of the Commission's Order.

4. The Commission expressed its displeasure and directs MSEDCL to issue a Circular appraising the status to its field officers.

The Case is reserved for Order.

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Member**

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