

**Before the**  
**MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
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**Date: 03 September, 2021**

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

**Case No. 89 of 2021**

**Case of Shri. Gurupad Shivappa Bageli seeking compliance of the CGRF, MSEDCL, Kolhapur Order dated 28.12.2020 in Case No. 14 of 2020.**

Shri. Gurupad Shivappa Bageli : Petitioner

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. : Respondent

**Appearance**

For the Petitioner: Shri. Gurupad Shivappa Bageli

For the Respondent: Shri. M.B.Ghugal, Executive Engineer, MSEDCL

**Daily Order**

1. Heard the representatives of the Petitioner and the Respondent.
2. Petitioner stated that MSEDCL has not complied the CGRF Order even after lapse of the 6 months and has not released the connection.
3. Respondent MSEDCL submitted that it is in process to reflect the payment made by the Petitioner against Service Connection Charges in year 2004 in its IT System and therefore, requested the Commission to grant the time of four months to release the Ag supply connection to the Petitioner.
4. Considering the fact that the connection could not be released since 2004 when payment was made by the applicant, Commission expresses its displeasure at the lacklustre approach taken by local officers of MSEDCL who are reiterating the same reason in the present proceedings as was given before CGRF.
5. The Commission does not deem it fit to consider the request and submission of MSEDCL seeking a further period of 4 months for releasing the connection without citing any

specific difficulty for such a request. MSEDCL needs to strictly abide by the provisions of the Act and Regulations notified by MERC and its own circulars while dealing with the release of connection. The Commission is also pained that the IT system is not reflecting the payment of Service Connection Charges.

6. To avoid any punitive action against the concerned officers for blatant non-compliance of the cgrf order, the Commission is giving one last chance to the concerned officers to post haste initiate necessary steps for releasing the connection and submit a firm timeline within 15 days in active liaison with concerned officials in MSEDCL Head Office (IT section).
7. MSEDCL needs to be proactive while making up for the unacceptable long delay in releasing the connection and fully complying with the CGRF Order. Based on the efforts and seriousness of MSEDCL in releasing this connection and the submissions thereof (in 15 days time), the Commission will decide on the further necessary action.

Next date of hearing will be intimated by the Secretariat of the Commission.

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(Mukesh Khullar)  
Member

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(I.M. Bohari)  
Member

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(Sanjay Kumar)  
Chairperson