



KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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Abstract

Petition received from smt. Sheela George, Popular Marbles, Muringoor in Vidyuthi Adalath 2020-
Withdrawal of demand– Sanction Accorded – Orders issued

CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-D)

B.O.(FTD) No.744 /2020 (D(D,IT&HRM)/D-2/Adalath/0022/2020-21 Dated, TVPM 17 .12. 2020

- Read: 1. Letter No. CE(DC)/AB1/Adalath 2020-Revision of Short Assessment Bill/20-21/1949 dated 21.10.2020 of the Chief Engineer Distribution (Central), KSEBL, Ernakulam
2. Note No D(D,IT &HRM))/ D2/Adalath/0022/20-21 dated 06.11.2020 of the Director (Distribution, IT & HRM) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda No. 51/11/20)

ORDER

M/s. Popular Marbles, a consumer under Electrical Section Meloor with consumer number 1156502001392 approached the Vidyuthi Adalath 2020 held at Thrissur to revise the short assessment bill issued to them by the APTS, Palakkad for Rs.1,56,411/-, the assessment being done for a period of 12 years for misuse of tariff. The Chief Engineer Distribution (Central), as per letter read as 1st above, reported that the subject complainant had availed LT IV industrial tariff in 1992. The APTS inspection was conducted in their premises on 15.04.2004 and detected the tariff misuse. It was observed that sale was also involved in their premises for which LT VII tariff is applicable and hence a short assessment bill of Rs.1,56,411/- was issued to the consumer considering a period of 12 years from the beginning. Aggrieved by this , the complaint approached the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and decision on the same is pending.

Meantime, the consumer approached Vidyuthi Adalath 2020 held at Thrissur requesting to include the same under OTS scheme and diminution of the assessment done for 12 years and expressed willingness to withdraw the case in High Court. The consumer had remitted Rs. 1,00,000/- being part payment in August 2016. The Adalath Committee at Thrissur decided to examine the details logically regarding the duration of misuse of tariff, assigning wrong tariff at the onset of service connection etc. If such matters cannot be assessed properly, the assessment maybe limited to a period of 2 years and the bill may be revised accordingly.

Hence, the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Chalakudy, convened a meeting with the complainant along with Sub Division and Section officials and it was observed that the actual period of change of tariff was tough to find out. Also, on local enquiry, it was understood that the consumer might have started Marble cutting and sale since April 2002 onwards and thus

assessment may be limited to 2 years. The complainant had also produced the copies of license, Possession certificate, ownership certificate etc of the then period.

Hence, a revised assessment for a period of 2 years amounting to Rs.49452/- with interest Rs.50054 upto 8/2016 (@ 6% as per OTS scheme), totaling Rs.99506/- was prepared by the Assistant Engineer Electrical Section, Meloor, duly recommended by the Assistant Executive Engineer, Electrical Sub Division, Koratty.

The consumer also filed an affidavit before the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Chalakudy stating their willingness to withdraw the Writ Petition filed before the Hon'ble High Court upon reassessment of disputed bill based on Adalath Decision limiting the assessment period to 2 years and adjusting the same with the part payment already made and enabling to avail the OTS relaxations.

The Chief Engineer Distribution (Central), the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Irinjalakuda and the Executive Engineer , Electrical Division, Chalakudy have recommended for according sanction for the revised bill based on the Adalath decision and withdrawal of demand of Rs.1,06,959/- (i.e. 156411-49452). Hence, sanction is requested to limit the arrear to 2 years with reduced interest rate of 6% in tune with OTS relaxations and withdrawal of excess demand.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 2nd above:

Having considered the matter in detail the Full Time Directors , in the meeting held on 17.11.2020, resolved to accord sanction to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Irinjalakuda to revise the short assessment bill issued to M/s. Popular Marbles, limiting the period of assessment to 2 years and the consumer be allowed to settle the arrears as per OTS scheme, subject to withdrawal of case.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of Full Time Directors,

Sd/-

Lekha G.

Company Secretary (In charge)

To

The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Irinjalakuda

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Assistant Executive Engineer