

**BEFORE THE FORUM FOR REDRESSAL OF CONSUMER GRIEVANCES**  
**OF SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF A.P LIMITED**  
**TIRUPATI**

**This the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012**

**C.G.No:28/2012-13/KadapaCircle**

*Present*

*Sri K. Paul*  
*Sri A.Venugopal*  
*Sri T.Rajeswara Rao*  
*Sri K. Rajendra Reddy*

*Chairperson*  
*Member ( Accounts )*  
*Member ( Legal )*  
*Member ( Consumer Affairs )*

*Between*

Sri A.Sreenivasula Reddy  
C/o Rami Reddy & Others,  
Devamachupalli Village & Post,  
Chitvel Mandal  
Kadapa-Dist-516104

Complainant

*And*

1. Assistant Engineer/Operation/Chitvel  
2. Assistant Divisional Engineer/Operation/Kodur  
3. Divisional Engineer/Operation/Rajampeta

Respondents

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Sri A.Sreenivasula Reddy, C/o Rami Reddy & others resident of Devamachupalli Village & Post, Chitvel Mandal, Kadapa-Dist-516104 herein called the complainants, in their complaint dt:24-4-2012 filed in the Forum on dt:24-4-2012 under clause 5 (7) of APERC regulation 1/2004 read with section 42 (5) of I.E.Act 2003 have stated that

1. One 11 KV line is passing through the middle of the village Devamachupalli and the matter was reported to the electricity officials during Grama Saba, but no action has been taken.
2. Because of trees grown underneath the 11KV line above due to touching of the lines electrical accidents took place earlier.

3. The neem trees besides the temple were also underneath the line and the trees cannot be removed.
4. Requested for shifting of the line to out side the village.

Notices were served upon the respondents duly enclosing a copy of complaint.

**The respondent-1 i.e. Assistant Engineer/Operation/Chitvel in his written submission dt:08-5-2012 and a copy marked to the complainant, received in this office on dt:05-9-2012 stated that:**

1. There is no representation for shifting of the 11KV line at Devamachupalli village earlier to that made in the Forum.
2. For shifting of the 11KV line the beneficiary consumers have to give their willingness letter to bear the cost of the shifting and the estimate bill will be prepared only on the receipt of the consent letter.

**Findings of the Forum:**

1. The grievance of the complainants is that the 11KV line passing through their village is touching the trees and causing the fire accidents and requires shifting to out side the village.
2. The respondents replied that the beneficiaries have to bear the cost of the estimated amount towards shifting of the lines and the necessary estimate will be prepared upon receipt of consent letter from the beneficiaries.
3. In accordance with clause 5.2.4 of GTCS the consumers or the beneficiaries who requires shifting of lines shall bear the cost of the estimate towards the said shifting besides providing necessary way leave for the re-routing of the line.
4. As such the contention of the respondents that the beneficiaries have to bear the cost of the line shifting is in order and hence the complainants

have to bear the cost of the line shifting besides providing the necessary way leave for the said shifting.

5. The above factors have been informed to the complainants by the respondents in their letter Dt: 8-5-2012.

In view of the above, the Forum passed the following order.

**ORDER**

The complainants are advised to render their consent accepting to pay the cost of the estimate towards the shifting of the 11KV line as required and also to provide necessary way leave for re-routing of the line.

Accordingly the case is allowed and disposed off

If aggrieved by this order, the complainant may represent to the Vidyut Ombudsman, O/o the APERC, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Singarenibhavan, Redhills, Hyderabad-500004, within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Signed on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012.

Sd/-  
**Member (Legal)**

Sd/-  
**Member (C.A)**

Sd/-  
**Member (Accounts)**

Sd/-  
**Chairperson**

**Forwarded by Orders**

**Secretary to the Forum**

To  
The Complainant  
The Respondents  
Copy submitted to the Honourable Ombudsman, APERC, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Singarenibhavan, Redhills, Hyderabad-500004.  
Copy to the General Manager/CSC/Corporate office/Tirupati for pursuance in this matter.