

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

On this the 14th day of July , 2015

In C.G.No:72/ 2014-15/Kurnool Circle

Present

Sri P.Venkateswara Prasad
Sri A.Sreenivasula Reddy
Sri T. Rajeswara Rao

Chairperson
Member (Accounts)
Member (Legal)

Between

Sri K.Mallesh
S/oK. Mallappa
Yerrakota
Kadimetta – Post Office
Yemmiganur
Kurnool – Dist
518360

Complainant

And

1.Assistant Accounts Officer /Yemmiganur
2.Assistant Engineer/Yemmiganur
3.Assistant Divisional Engineer/Yemmiganur
4.Divisional Engineer/Adoni

Respondents

Sri.K.Mallesh S/o K.Mallappa is a resident of Yerrakota village, Kadimetta – Post office ,Yemmiganur Mandal, Kurnool - Dist. herein called the complainant, in his complaint dt:18-07-2014 filed in the Forum on dt:18-07-2014 under clause 5 (7) of APERC regulation 1/2004 read with section 42 (5) of I.E. Act 2003 has stated that:

1. He is the resident of Yerrakota village ,Kadimetta – Post Office , Yemmiganur Mandal, Kurnool –Dist.

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2. He is having Agricultural Service with Sc No:421 .
3. To his agricultural service connection receiving huge bills ,he needs to revise the bills.

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

The respondent-1 i.e. the Assistant Accounts Officer/ERO/APSPDCL/Yemmiganur in his written submission dt:16.04.2015, received in this office on dt:22.04.2015 stated that:

1. The consumer of Asc No;421 of Kadimetla village was released on 20.11.1994 with Tatkal Scheme and subsequently it was converted to paying consumer in the month of 07/2009 as prevailing rules.
2. In this connection it is to submit that the consumer has produced CERTIFICATE from Mandal Revenue Officer stating that the land is converted 2.26 acres with dry land as per the reference dated 22.02.2012.The ASC No.421 of Kadimetla Village has converted to Free consumer in the month of 08/2012.

The respondent-2 i.e. the Assistant Engineer/Rurals/APSPDCL/Yemmiganur in his written submission dt:10.06.2015, received in this office on dt:20.06.2015 stated that:

1. The Agricultural Service .No.421 of Kadimetla was recategorized under paying category during 2005 as per the Governement instructions under category of “Consumer having wetland more than 2.5 Acres” from onwards the service is being billed under paying category , but the consumer is not paying C.C.charges regularly due to which the arrears is accumulated.
2. The consumer has approached for changing of category from paying to free category. Duly submitting the Tahasildar certificate supported he standing below 2.5 acres wetland on his name.
3. The above Asc.No:421 of Kadimetla service was changed category from paying to free category.

Findings of the Forum:

1. During the Vidyuth Adalath conducted at Adoni on 18.7.2014, Sri.K.Mallesha,Yerrakota,Kadimetla of Yemmiganur has lodged a petition before the Forum stating that he has been receiving huge bills for his Agriculture service and requested to change it from paying to free category.

2. The Respondents in their submission have stated that the service of the complainant has been changed from agricultural paying category to free category after the complainant has furnished the requisite documents from the Tahsildar as to the extent of land holding by the complainant from 8/2012.
3. Further on perusal of the orders issued by the Ombudsman in appeal no.91/2014 dated 17.04.2015, it is observed that the Agricultural service connection No.421 has been inherited to Sri Kuruva Mallesh by Sri K.Mallappa and the Ombudsman has clearly ordered to recategorise the service on similar fashion as was done in case of ASC.No:468.

ORDER

The Respondents are directed to take action for recategorisation of the ASC No.421 inline with orders issued by the Ombudsman in appeal No.91/2014 dated 17.04.2015 and compliance reported within 15 days from the date of this order. The copy of the Ombudsman order is herewith enclosed for ready reference.

The case is disposed accordingly.

If aggrieved by this order, the complainant may represent to the **Vidyut Ombudsman, Andhra Pradesh ,Flat No:401 ,4th Floor, Ashoka Chambers, Opposite to MLA Quarters ,Adarsh Nagar,Hyderabad-500063**, within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Signed on this, the day of 14th July 2015.

Sd/-
Member(Legal)

Sd/-
Member(Accounts)

Sd/-
Chairperson

True Copy

Chairperson

To
The Complainant
The Respondents
Copy to the General Manager/CSC/Corporate Office/ Tirupati for pursuance in this matter.

