

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

On this the day of 24th August'2020
In C.G.No:22/ 2019-20/Ongole Circle

Present

Sri. Dr. A. Jagadeesh Chandra Rao

Chairperson

Sri. A. Sreenivasulu Reddy

Member (Finance)

Sri. V. Venkateswarlu

Member (Technical)

Sri. Dr. R. Surendra Kumar

Independent Member

Between

A.Anjaneyulu Reddy,
6-616,
Kondareddypalli (V)
Tarlupadu (M)
Prakasham-Dist

Complainant

AND

1. Assistant Executive Engineer/O/Tarlupadu
2. Deputy Executive Engineer/O/Markapur
3. Executive Engineer/O/Markapur
4. Superintending Engineer/O/Ongole

Respondents

ORDER

1. The case of the complainant is one A. Anjaneyulu Reddy filed a complaint stating that his father Annapureddy Chenna Reddy died due to electric shock. But no ex-gratia was granted. On 26.05.2018 they applied to electricity department for ex-gratia but he was informed by the authorities that the application was rejected. Hence he applied for compensation before this forum. Complainant also enclosed Post Mortem Report, F.I.R and death certificate.
2. Notice was issued to respondents No. 1 to 4. Respondent No.4 stated that they have submitted ex-gratia proposals to CE/Zone/Vijayawada Vide SE/O/Ong/Tech.F.Accident.E.No. 82230/2018 Dt: 10.07.2018. But sanction proposals were not received.
3. Respondent No.2 also filed written submission on similar lines. Subsequently ED/O/Tirupati filed memo stating that compensation proposal with regard to fatal

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electrical accident occurred on 15.04.2018 at 17.30 Hrs to A. Chenna Reddy S/o. A. Tiruapti Reddy, Kondareddypalli (V) Tarlupadu (M) of Prakasham Dt. was not considered by the accident committee meeting dt: 28.08.2018.

4. Point for determination is whether the legal heirs of deceased i.e. A. Anjaneyulu Reddy are entitled for compensation from the Licensee?

The contents of the F.I.R.No.43/2018 dt :16.04.2018 registered under Sec.174 of Cr.P.C shows that Ganji Chinna Venkata Lakshamma W/o. Chenna Krishnaiah presented a complaint that her younger brother A.Chenna Reddy S/o. Tirupati Reddy on 15.04.2018 evening after fixing the pipe to the bore and while fetching water inside the house, the pipe was suddenly dislocated from the bore and deceased in order to fix the pipe which was dislocated and when turned the head of the bore, in the mean time the cable wire which was present in the bore stressed and due to supply of electricity to the same touched the bore and deceased accidentally met with an electrical shock and on his hue and cry the complainant and neighbours went nearer to the bore and stopped electricity from the bore by switching it off . Then deceased jumped from the bore well and fell on the cement tub of wall arranged around the bore and due to it sustained bleeding injuries and died accidentally. The same facts were reported in inquest report. The post mortem report also shows that deceased appear to have died due to electrical shock.

The contents of F.I.R further shows that this accident occurred when the deceased tried to re-arrange the dislocated pipe while electric motor attached to the bore well was in running condition. Nowhere, it is mentioned that the electric lines of the licensee are connected in any way for causing this accident. After the accident the switch of the motor was also turned off by the family members. So it clearly shows that the electric motor is in exclusive custody of the consumer. There is no iota of evidence to show that electrocution was caused by act or omission of employees of the Licensee. Since the Licensee is no way concerned with the said accident, Licensee is not liable to pay any compensation. There are no specific grounds to interfere with the decision taken by the Licensee. There are no merits in the complaint. The point is answered accordingly.

5. In the result complaint is dismissed.

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