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This 31st day of December' 2024

C.G.No.178/2024-25/Kurnool Circle

CHAIRPERSON

Sri. V. Srinivasa Anjaneya Murthy

Former Principal District Judge

Members Present

Sri. K. Ramamohan Rao

Member (Finance)

Sri. S.L. Anjani Kumar

Member (Technical)

Between

Sri. K. Subba Rao, D.No. 45-24 K-M, 2nd Floor, Ashok Nagar, Kurnool.

Complainant

AND

- 1. Superintending Engineer/O/Kurnool
- 2. Dy. Executive Engineer/O/Kurnool-1
- 3. Executive Engineer/O/Kurnool

Respondents

This complaint came up for final hearing before this Forum through video conferencing on 19.12.2024 in the presence of the complainant and respondents and having considered the material placed by both the parties, this Forum passed the following

ORDER

O1. The complainant filed the complaint stating that he applied for service connection to his open plot in S.No.239/F and 229-3F of Mamidalapadu on 18.05.2024 but the respondents did not release the service connection.

- notices were issued to the respondents calling for their response. The respondents submitted their response stating that they rejected the application of the complainant for the reason that the location where he sought for service connection is located under the existing 132 KV line near summer storage Tank, Mamidalapadu and the Hon'ble APERC vide Lr. No. APERC/Secy/DD/CA/SAC/S-307-Vol.V/D.No.49/20 Dt: 22.01.20 ordered that where a building is proposed to be erected below an existing power line, the DISCOMs should not allow electric supply to such buildings and as such they refused to release the service connection.
- 03. Heard complainant and respondents through video conferencing. According to the respondents, the tin sheet shed of the complainant for which the service connection is required is located under the existing 132 KV line and as such by following the guidelines of the Hon'ble APERC they refused to release the service connection. They also produced a photo of the location which clearly shows that the location for which service connection is required is under the existing 132 KV line. The respondents also produced copy of the letter Dt: 22.01.2020 referred in para No.2 herein addressed by the Secretary, the Hon'ble APERC by forwarding the minutes of the 14th State Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting held on 13.01.2020 of which in Page No.4 Point No. J shows that "the Hon'ble Chairman directed the DISCOMs that where a building is proposed to be erected below an existing power line, the DISCOMs should not allow electric supply to such buildings". Admittedly, the location of the premises of the complainant for which the service connection is required, is under the existing 132

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KV line. Hence, the respondents rightly rejected the request of the complainant following the guidelines of the Hon'ble APERC referred supra. We find no merit in the complaint. Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed. There is no order as to costs.

O4. The complainant is informed that if he is aggrieved by the order of the Forum, he may approach the Vidyut Ombudsman, 3rd Floor, Plot. No.38, Adjacent to Kesineni Admin Office, Şriramachandra Nagar, Mahanadu Road, Vijayawada-08 in terms of Clause.13 of Regulation.No.3 of 2016 of Hon'ble APERC within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order and the prescribed format is available inthe website vidyutombudsman.ap.gov.in.

Typed to dictation by the computer operator-2 corrected and pronounced in the open Forum on this 31st day of December'2024.

CHAIRPERSON

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Documents marked

For the complainant: Nil

For the respondents: Nil

Copy to the

Complainant and All the Respondents

Copy Submitted to

The Chairman & Managing Director/Corporate Office/APSPDCL/Tirupati.

The Vidyut Ombudsman, 3rd Floor, Plot No.38, Sriramachandra Nagar, Vijayawada-08.

The Secretary/Hon'ble APERC/Vidyut Niyantrana Bhavan, Adjacent to 220/132/33/11 KV AP Carbides Sub Station, Dinnedevarapadu Road, Kurnool-518002, State of Andhra Pradesh.

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