

PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
SITE NO. 3, BLOCK B, SECTOR 18-A, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH

Petition No. 44 of 2013
Date of hearing: 09.02.2022
Date of Order: 21.02.2022

Petition under section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with regulation 9 of PSERC (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2007 and other provisions of regulations framed by this Commission praying for taking necessary action against the respondent and its officials for raising impugned demand of Rs.7,36,000/-, from the petitioner, on account of Service Connection Charges (Variable Charges at the rate of Rs.320/- per meter), in violation of provisions of regulation 9 of PSERC (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters), Regulations, 2007, and clause 12 of the Conditions of Supply and provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 and further for setting aside the impugned demand of Rs.7,36,000/- raised on account of arrears of service connection charges;

AND

In the matter of: K.J International, Village Khingran Choe, Tehsil Bhogpur, District Jalandhar through its authorized signatory Shri Prem Sarup Khanna.

. Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited through its Managing Director, The Mall, Patiala

...Respondent

Present: Sh. Viswajeet Khanna, Chairperson
Ms. Anjali Chandra, Member
Sh. Paramjeet Singh, Member

Petitioner: Sh. Tajender Joshi, Advocate

PSPCL: Ms. Gursharan Kaur Mann, Advocate
Sh. Harjit Singh Gill, CE/ARR&TR
Sh. Deepak Gupta, SE/TR-2
Sh. Mukesh Kumar, ASE/T-5
Sh. Jaswant Singh, Addl/SE
Sh. Chanpreet Singh

Order

The petition was taken up for hearing. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties it is observed that the petitioner filed the present petition disputing the demand of Rs. 8,57,101/- raised by PSPCL on account of service connection charges (variable charges at the rate of Rs. 320/- per meter) which is said to be in violation of

provisions of Regulation 9 of the PSERC (Electricity Supply Code and Related Matters) Regulations, 2007 and for taking action against the respondent and its officials for raising the impugned demand of Rs. 8,57,101/-.

The issue raised in the present petition pertains to billing dispute of the consumer of PSPCL which falls in the jurisdiction of the forum for redressal of grievances of the consumers established under Section 42 (5) of the Electricity Act, 2003 for the redressal of the grievances of the consumers. Both the parties agree to the same.

The forum for redressal of the grievances of the consumers have been established and the Regulations in this regard have also been framed by the Commission vide PSERC Forum and Ombudsman Regulations, 2016 as amended vide Regulation No. 154 of 2020 and 159 of 2021. Therefore, the petitioner may seek the redressal of his grievance, if any, before the appropriate forum.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

Sd/-

(Paramjeet Singh)
Member

Chandigarh
Dated: 21.02.2022

Sd/-

(Anjuli Chandra)
Member

Sd/-

(Viswajeet Khanna)
Chairperson