

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission

Viniyamak Bhawan, 'C' Block, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi- 110017

F.11 (2023)/DERC/2022-23

Petition No. 49/2022

Under Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003

In the matter of: Jarnail Singh Versus	Petitioner
Through its: CEO	Respondent
Coram:	
Hon'ble Shri Justice Shabihul Hasnain 'Shastri', Chairperson	
Hon'ble Dr. A.K. Ambasht, Member	
Appearance:	
Shri Harbhjan Singh, Advocate for the Petitioner	

INTERIM ORDER

(Date of Hearing: 20.10.2022) (Date of Order: 20.10.2022)

- 1. Heard Shri Harbhjan Singh, Counsel appearing on behalf of the Petitioner. He has alleged that his meter was stolen on 30.01.2022 and an FIR has also been lodged by the Petitioner in this regard. It has been stated by the Petitioner that later on, a team from the Respondent TPDDL visited the house and made some inspection and Speaking Order has been passed, which is available at Page no. 26 of the Petition. *Prima-facie*, the case of the opposite party appears to be that the Petitioner has exceeded the load and in order to cover up has made a story of stolen meter. They have further alleged that the safety of the meter is the responsibility of the consumer in which they have failed.
- 2. The grievance of the Petitioner is that since a long period he is without proper electricity connection and suffering because of lack of electricity which goes to the life and liberty of the consumer and which is causing harassment in the day to day life of the petitioner. An argument in the case has been made out. Issue notice to the Respondent returnable at early date.

- 3. At this juncture Shri Harbhajan Singh has made a request that along with the regular process, dasti summons may be issued to him to be served upon to the opposite party so that the matter may be expedited and the harassment for lack of electricity may be redeemed. The request appears to be *bonafied*. Issued dasti summons to be served upon the opposite party outside the court.
- 4. As an exception, we are posting the matter at a relatively early date. List on 03.11.2022. We hope and trust that on the 3rd November, the Counsel for the Respondent will be available along with the complete instruction.

Sd/-(Dr. A.K. Ambasht) Member Sd/-(Justice Shabihul Hasnain'Shastri') Chairperson