

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission

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

F.11 (2237)/DERC/2024-25

Petition No. 36/2024

Under Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003

| In the matter of: Kshama Rani | Petitioner |
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| Versus | |
| Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. Through its: CEO | Respondent |
| CORAM: Justice (Retd.) Jayant Nath, Chairperson Sh. Ram Naresh Singh, Member | |

Appearance:

Sh. Surender Babbar, Member

- 1. Mr. Manish Kumar Srivastava, Advocate for the Respondent;
- 2. Mr. Deepak Kumar, SHO, Police Station Sabzi Mandi;
- 3. Mr. Daya Ram Singh, Office of Electrical Inspector, GoNCTD.

ORDER

(Date of Hearing: 16.01.2025) (Date of Order: 16.01.2025)

- The present Petition arises out of a Complaint sent by Smt. Kshama Rani seeking processing of her application for accidental compensation following the tragic demise of her husband Sh. Hardyal Singh who was said to be involved in an electrical accident at his workplace.
- 2. Based on the said Complaint, proceedings were initiated under Section 142 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and notice was issued to Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited.
- 3. Notices were also issued to the Office of Electrical Inspector, Govt. of NCT Delhi and SHO, Police Station Sabzi Mandi, to provide details of the said accident that took place and resulted in the tragic loss of life of Shri. Hardyal Singh.
- 4. Today we have received a Report from the O/o Electrical Inspector which states as follows: -

"During the course of inspection, the ceramic plate electric heater was connected with two numbers of PVC insulated copper electric supply wires (Length- 1.5 mtrs approx. each, size- 2.5 sqmm each, Red coloured each) which were further joined with another two number PVC insulated copper electric supply wires in burnt out condition (Length- 1.5 mtrs

approx. each, size-2.5sqmm each, Black coloured each) and it was connected to a three pin plug top (Make-Cona, 6 Amp). The electric supply of the said heater was found to be taken through a switch socket board (Cona each, 15 Amp each) installed at wall below the energy meter to give supply to ceramic plate heater. The electric supply wires of the switch socket board were two PVC insulated copper electric supply wires (Length- 3 mtrs approx. each, size- 2.5 sqmm each, Red coloured each) in burnt out condition.

Since, the electrical installation of switch socket board which was being used for feeding of electric supply was not found much affected by the fire and only the supply wires of electric heater got affected by fire as such it is not possible to ascertain whether the fire had caused damage of the insulation of the electric wires or fire broke out after a short circuit took place in the wires."

- 5. Mr. Deepak Kumar, Sub-Inspector P.S. Sabzi Mandi, is also present virtually. He states that no complaint of any nature was received by the Police. The site was visited based on the telephonic call and Inquest was carried out. He further states that statement of witnesses including the brother of the deceased Sh. Gurdyal Singh was recorded and there was no allegation of any illegality noted.
- 6. None has appeared for the legal representatives of the deceased.
- 7. We, accordingly, close the present proceedings. It is clarified that the above order is passed without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the legal heirs of the deceased for any proceedings which they may have initiated/may initiate in any other Court/Forum.
- 8. Petition is disposed of.

Sd/-(Surender Babbar) Member Sd/-(Ram Naresh Singh) Member

Sd/-(Justice (Retd.) Jayant Nath) Chairperson