

Before the Ombudsman
KPFC BHAVAN, C.V.Raman Pillai Road , Vellayambalam,
Thiruvananthapuram-695 010.

Order Dated 21st December 2006.

Present: M.Sivathanu Pillai, Ombudsman-in Charge.

Appeal petition No 5 of 2006.

CGRF order No.CGRF/DCE/COMP/DOP(G)/59/2006-07/140 DATED 18-
11-2006

Mannarkad Steels Pvt Ltd,
Wise Park, Kanjikode, Palakkad.

Appellant

Vs

Special Officer(Revenue)
Vaidyuthi Bhavan, Pattom
Thiruvananthapuram

Respondent

Date of hearing: 21-12-2006.

Petitioner is a HT consumer bearing consumer code 24/4289 under Electrical Section, Kanjikode. Petitioner has stated that production commenced from the unit from November 2005. Petitioner has stated that Kerala State Electricity Board (herein after called Board) has intimated that an additional CD of Rs. 16,69, 800/- has to be paid on or before 27th July 2006. Petitioner has requested the Chairman of Board to permit him to remit the amount in the form of BG. Chairman of Board has not accepted the request but has given time up to 30th November 2006, for remitting additional CD. Petitioner has stated that Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission has not given consent to Board for such mode of collection. Hence the decision of the Board is arbitrary. Petitioner has also stated that they have not got interest for the deposits made.

Petitioner has sought for permission to provide BG for additional SD and for interest for the SD already paid.

CGRF has stated that the consumer has an existing CD of Rs.50,60,000/- with Board. The consumer has not defaulted payment so far.

Board vide letter dated 19th December 2006, intimated that the demand for additional cash deposit has been withdrawn and intimated to consumer vide letter dated 16th December 2006.

The petition was heard on 21st December 2006. Petitioner submitted a request to withdraw the petition on the basis of letter dated 16th December 2006 from Board. In the request it has been mentioned that the demand for additional cash deposit has caused great inconvenience. However petitioner has clearly given a request to withdraw the petition.

As the request from the petitioner is unconditional, the petition is treated as withdrawn. However it is noted that Board could have avoided the precipitation of the issue.

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Secretary-in-Charge.