HIMACHAL PRADESH ELECTRICITY OMBUDSMAN

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In the matter of:

Provisional Complaint No. 07/2022

M/S Hateshwari Floor Mill, VPO Seema, Tehsil Rohru, District Shimla, HP-171207
- Complainant

Vs

- 1. Executive Director (Personal), HPSEB Ltd, Vidyut Bhawan, Shimla-171004
- 2. The Sr Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, HPSEB Ltd, Rohru, District Shimla, HP-171207
- 3. The Assistant Executive Engineer (E), Electrical Sub-Division-I, HPSEBL, Chirgaon, Rohru, District Shimla, HP-171208

- Respondents

Date:

24/09/2022 (02:30 PM)

Present for:

The Complainant:

Sh. Arvind Sharma Advocate, Sh. Ashok, Sh. Hem Singh Thakur Advocate

The Respondents:

Sh. Anil Kumar God Advocate, Sh. Kamlesh Saklani Law Officer, Sh. Kaku

Ram JoA (IT)

Order (Last heard on 27/08/2022)

Case called. Both parties advanced their arguments. The Counsel for the Complainant submitted a judgment in Case No. 03/2013 of HP Electricity Ombudsman decided on 08/03/2016 wherein he cited that the Electricity Ombudsman had shared the penalty of PLVC in the ration of 50:50 by Applicant and Respondent Board since the Respondent Board had failed to check the violation for a period of seven years before having pointed out by audit.

The Counsel for the Respondents also submitted a judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court in CA No. 7235/2009 stating that being bonafide mistake the Distribution Licensee is entitled to recover the amount which is covered under Section 56(1) of Electricity Act, 2003

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Further arguments were heard and concluded. Orders Reserved.

Given under my hand and seal of this office.

No. HPEO/(Case No. 07/2022)/2021-22- 396-99

Electricity Ombudsman

Dated: 24/09/2022