## M/s V.B. Hydro Project Ltd. Versus The HPPTCL & Others.

## Petition No. 21 of 2024

## 04.03.2024

Present: Sh. L.S. Mehta and Sh. Ashok Kumar Verma, Ld. Counsel for the Petitioner.
Sh. Vikas Chauhan, Ld. Counsel for the Respondent No. 1
Sh. Kamlesh Saklani, Authorised Representative alongwith Sh. Lukesh Kumar, Chief Engineer (System Planning) for the Respondent No. 2.
Ms. Deepica Gautam, Ld. Counsel for the Respondent Nos. 4 and 5.

## DAILY ORDER

Sh. Lukesh Kumar, Chief Engineer (System Planning) states that a committee had been constituted for providing interim connectivity to the Petitioner's Project and it has been resolved therein that the interim connectivity may be provided to the Petitioner's Project subject to certain conditions. Recommendations of the Committee filed before the Commission. The copy of the recommendations was supplied to Sh. L.S. Mehta, Ld. Counsel who stated that the terms and conditions recorded by the Committee are acceptable to the Petitioner and the Petition may be disposed of in terms of the recommendations filed before the Commission. In addition, he submits that the Respondent No. 1 be also directed to complete and commission the permanent evacuation facility at Heiling as scheduled. He also submitted that in the event of shutdown of the power plant by the field authorities, the reasons in writing be recorded by the Respondent No. 2 and communicated to the Petitioner in writing. Ms. Deepica Gautam, Ld. Counsel for the Respondent No. 4 and 5 states that in the event of providing the interim connectivity to the Petitioner, the first right of the Respondents No. 4 and 5 be recognized.

We have gone through the recommendations. We are satisfied that the proposed arrangement is in the interest of the Petitioner and the Respondent No. 2 and the Petition may be disposed off accordingly. In the circumstances, the Petition is disposed off in terms of the recommendation filed before the Commission, which shall form part of the Order. It is made clear that in the event of shutdown, the Respondent No. 2 shall record reasons in writing and convey the same in writing to the Petitioner. It is also made clear that the proposed interim arrangement shall not affect the arrangement of evacuation of the Respondents No. 4 and 5 who shall have the first right. We also direct the Respondent No. 1 to expedite the commissioning of the permanent evacuation facility at Heiling.

The Petition disposed off in terms of the above. The file is ordered to be consigned to records.

-Sd-(Shashi Kant Joshi) (Yashwant Singh Chogal) (Devendra Kumar Sharma) Member (Law) Chairman