CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION NEW DELHI

Petition No. 319/MP/2019

- Subject : Petition under Section 79(1)(f) of the Electricity Act 2003 for adjudication of disputes between the Petitioner and the Respondent for direction for payment.
- Petitioner : Damodar Valley Corporation

Respondents : BYPL

Date of Hearing: 20.4.2023

Coram : Shri Jishnu Barua, Chairperson Shri I.S Jha, Member Shri Arun Goyal, Member Shri Pravas Kumar Singh, Member

Parties Present: Shri M.G. Ramachandran, Senior Advocate, DVC Ms. Tanya Sareen, Advocate, DVC Ms. Shrishti Khindaria, Advocate, DVC Shri Aneesh Bajaj, Advocate, DVC Shri Subrata Ghosal, DVC Shri Samit Mandal, DVC Shri Amit Kapur, Advocate, Advocate BYPL Shri Buddy Ranganathan, Advocate, BYPL Shri Rahul Kinra, Advocate, Advocate BYPL Shri Girdhar Gopal Khattar, Advocate, BYPL

Record of Proceedings

At the outset, the learned counsel for the Respondent submitted that the present petition may be listed, after pronouncement of the order in Petition Nos. 239/MP/2019, 54/MP/2021 and 135/MP/2022, dealing with similar issues, as in the present petition. He further submitted that since BRPL and BYPL are sister concerns, the Petitioner may be requested to give an undertaking not to take any coercive action against the Respondent (similar to the undertaking given to BRPL by THDC in Petition No. 54/MP/2021), till a final decision in the aforesaid three petitions.

2. The learned Senior counsel for the Petitioner while pointing out that the matter has been heard at length, did not, however, object to the listing of the present petition, after a final decision of the Commission, in the aforesaid three petitions. He however, submitted that no undertaking will be given by the Petitioner, since the Respondent is liable to make payments, in terms of the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

3. In response to the above, the learned counsel for the Respondent clarified that all payments have been made to the Petitioner, in terms of the orders of the Hon'ble

Supreme Court and there are no outstanding dues. He further submitted that the payments sought for by the Petitioner was only on account of the payment appropriation methodology unilaterally adopted by the Petitioner and therefore, the Respondent is not liable for the same.

4. Considering the submissions of the parties, the Commission adjourned the hearing of this petition. The Commission, however, directed the Petitioner not to take any precipitative action against the Respondent till the next date of hearing. The Commission also directed the Registry to list this petition, two weeks after the disposal of Petition Nos. 239/MP/2019, 54/MP/2021 and 135/MP/2022.

By order of the Commission

Sd/-(B. Sreekumar) Joint Chief (Law)

