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IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

DFR No : 117 of 2025 & IA No. 451 OF 2025 & IA No. 453 OF 2025

Dated: 13th May, 2025

Present : Hon`ble Mr. Justice Ramesh Ranganathan, Chairperson
Hon`ble Ms. Seema Gupta, Technical Member (Electricity)

In the matter of:

West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd	....	Appellant(s)
Versus		
Kanti Bijli Utpadan Nigam Limited & Ors.	....	Respondent(s)

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Puneeth Ganapathy
Chiranjeev Singh Marwaha
for Res. 3

Aashish Gupta
Puneeth Ganapathy
Chiranjeev Singh Marwaha
for Res. 4

ORDER

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(For condonation of delay in filing the Appeal) (67 days)

The explanation furnished, for the delay of 67 days in filing the appeal, is of administrative reasons, which does not constitute sufficient cause for condonation of delay. As the delay is not so inordinate as to justify denying the Appellant a hearing on merits, we consider it appropriate to condone the delay, of 67 days in filing the appeal, on condition that the Appellant pays costs of Rs. 20,000/- to the Central Transmission Utility of India Ltd. (CTUIL) within four weeks, and files proof of payment in the Registry within two weeks thereafter.

Needless to state that, in case the aforesaid costs are not paid within four weeks from today and an affidavit of proof of payment is not filed in the Registry within two weeks thereafter, the application, for condonation of delay in filing the appeal, shall stand dismissed automatically, and the Appeal shall stand rejected. The I.A. is accordingly disposed of.

The Appellant shall also intimate the CTUIL of the Appeal No. and the date of the Order, in terms of which costs are being paid.

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Mr. Janmali Gopal Rao Manikala, Learned Counsel for the Appellant undertakes to file the certified copy of the impugned order before the next date of hearing.

Reply shall be filed within six weeks and the rejoinder shall be filed within four weeks thereafter.

Post the IA for hearing on ***28.07.2024.***

(Seema Gupta)
Technical Member (Electricity)

(Justice Ramesh Ranganathan)
Chairperson

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