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IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

DFR No : 119 of 2025 & IA No. 824 OF 2025 & IA No. 464 OF 2025 & IA No. 463 OF 2025 & IA No. 871 OF 2025 & IA No. 1053 OF 2025 & IA No. 1054 OF 2025

Dated: 10th July, 2025

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

In the matter of:

Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Limited	....	Appellant(s)
Versus		
M/s Prime Steel Industries Pvt. Ltd. & Anr.	....	Respondent(s)

Counsel on record for the Appellant(s)	:	Shaurya Kuthiala for App. 1
Counsel on record for the Respondent(s)	:	Sarthak Gaur Manik Sethi Anwesha Padhi for Res. 1 Pradeep Misra Manoj Kumar Sharma for Res. 2

ORDER

IA-824/2025
(For condonation of delay in refiling the Appeal) (42 days)

While the harsh language used in the affidavit, in justification of the delay of 42 days in refiling the appeal, could have been avoided, and the averments therein ought to have been far more moderate, since introduction of any new system is bound to have initial glitches, we do not wish to delve on these aspects any further in the light of the submissions of the Learned Counsel for the Appellant that his failure to check up the

e-portal was on account of his marriage. The delay of 42 days in refiling the appeal is condoned, and the IA is, accordingly, disposed of.

IA-464/2025
(For condonation of delay in filing the Appeal) (43 days)

The delay of 43 days in filing the appeal is not so inordinate as to necessitate denial to hear the Appeal on merits. The delay in filing the Appeal is condoned, and the application is, accordingly, disposed of.

IA-1053/2025
(For condonation of delay in filing reply)(R-1)(06 days)
and
IA-1054/2025
(For condonation of delay in filing reply)(R-1)(06 days)

Mr. Abhinav Mukherjee, Learned Senior Counsel for the first Respondent, would submit that in the light of the order condoning the delay in filing/refiling the appeal, these IAs have become infructuous. The IAs are dismissed as having become infructuous.

IA-463/2025
(For interim relief)

It is brought to our notice that, during the pendency of the present appeal, and on the Respondents filing a petition under Section 142 of the Electricity Act before the HPERC, the Appellant herein had complied with the impugned order, albeit after making it clear that such compliance was without prejudice to their rights in the main appeal pending before this Tribunal.

Since the directions issued in the impugned order have been complied with, suffice it to make it clear that such compliance shall be

subject to the result of the main appeal. The IA is, accordingly, disposed of.

IA-871/2025
(For filing additional document)

The IA, to file documents, is not opposed by the Learned Counsel for the Respondents. The IA is allowed and these additional documents, which formed part of the record before the HPERC, be taken on record. The IA is, accordingly, disposed of.

DFR-119/2025

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

After pleadings are complete, Registry to verify and then include the appeal in the List of Finals, to be taken up from there in its turn.

(Seema Gupta)
Technical Member (Electricity)

(Justice Ramesh Ranganathan)
Chairperson

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