COURT-1

IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

APL No. 188 OF 2025 & IA No. 53 OF 2026 & IA No. 931 OF 2025 & IA No. 1385 OF 2025

**Dated: 16th January, 2026**

Present: Hon`ble Mr. Justice Ramesh Ranganathan, Chairperson
Hon`ble Mr. Ajay Talegaonkar, Technical Member (Electricity)

In the matter of:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Western Electricity Supply Company of Odisha Limited & Ors. | .... | Appellant(s) |
| Versus | | |
| Orissa Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors. | .... | Respondent(s) |

Counsel on record for the Appellant(s) : Hasan Murtaza
Sameer Sharma
Ankit Kumar Sinha
for App. 1

Hasan Murtaza
Sameer Sharma
Ankit Kumar Sinha
for App. 2

Hasan Murtaza
Sameer Sharma
Ankit Kumar Sinha
for App. 3

Counsel on record for the Respondent(s) : Rutwik Panda
Anshu Malik
for Res. 1

Raj Kumar Mehta
for Res. 2

Soumyajit Pani
for Res. 3

## ORDER

IA NO. 53 OF 2026
*(For permission to file reply by R-3)*

The reply filed by the 3rd Respondent is confined only to IA No. 1385 of 2025 which was filed for appointment of an auditor amongst other reliefs. While there appears to be no explanation for the delay in entering appearance, and consequently in filing reply to the main appeal, we shall consider whether any indulgence should be shown on this aspect, as and when such an occasion arises. We, however, see no reason not to take the reply filed by the 3rd Respondent to IA No. 1385 of 2025 on record. The reply shall be taken on record and IA No. 53 of 2026 stands disposed of.

APPEAL NO. 188 OF 2025 & IA NOS. 931 & 1385 OF 2025

At the request of Mr. Raj Kumar Mehta, Learned Counsel for the 2nd Respondent, list the matter on ***02.02.2026***. Rejoinder to the reply filed by the 3rd Respondent in the meanwhile.

Ajay Talegaonkar
Technical Member (Electricity)

Justice Ramesh Ranganathan
Chairperson

*tpd/mg*