

COURT-1

IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

APL No. 373 OF 2025 & IA No. 155 OF 2026 & IA No. 149 OF 2026 &
IA No. 45 OF 2026 & IA No. 126 OF 2026 & IA No. 19 OF 2026 & IA No.
20 OF 2026 & IA No. 127 OF 2026 & IA No. 33 OF 2026 & IA No. 153
OF 2026 & IA No. 154 OF 2026 & IA No. 1475 OF 2025

Dated: 28th January, 2026

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

In the matter of:

GRIDCO Limited

.... Appellant(s)

Versus

Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission & Ors.

.... Respondent(s)

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for Res. 7

ORDER

IA-127/2026
(For Urgent Listing)(R5),
IA-153/2026
(For Urgent Listing)(R6),
IA-155/2026
(For Urgent Listing)(R7) &
IA-45/2026
(For Urgent Listing)(R4)

The matter having been listed before us, has served its purpose.
The applications are disposed of accordingly as having become
infructuous.

IA-20/2026
(For condonation of delay in filing reply) (R2) (1 days) &
IA-19/2026
(For condonation of delay in filing reply) (R2) (1 days)

Since the delay of 01 day in filing the replies is not opposed by the Learned Counsel for the Appellant, the delay is condoned, and the applications are disposed of.

IA-154/2026
(IA for permission to file the reply) (R-7),
IA-33/2026
(IA for permission to file the reply) (R-4),
IA-149/2026
(IA for permission to file the reply) (R-6) &
IA-126/2026
(IA for permission to file the reply) (R-5)

Having chosen not to enter appearance by the date on which the matter was listed after service of notice, and having failed to file their vakalatnama by then, Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 now seeks time, to file replies, for the mere asking. Such requests not only disable us from striving to achieve the objective of the Act to dispose of the Appeal within 180 days, but also results in needless wastage of precious court time which can be more usefully spent in hearing Appeals on merits.

The present case is yet another instance of procrastination. We, however, see no reason to deny Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 an opportunity to file their replies. We consider it appropriate to permit them to file replies on condition that Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 pay costs of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each to the Central Transmission Utility of India Limited (CTUIL), and file proof of payment in the Registry thereafter.

Mr. Chetan Saxena, Learned Counsel for the Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 would submit that, since the matter is scheduled to be listed on

30.01.2026, they would file their replies latest by tomorrow, and pay the cost of Rs. 25000/- for each reply by 30.01.2026.

Subject to compliance with the aforesaid directions, the replies filed by the Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 shall be taken on record.

The applications are disposed of.

Respondent Nos. 4 to 7 shall also intimate the CTUIL of the Appeal No. and the date of Order, in terms of which costs are being paid.

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APL-373/2025 & IA-1475/2025

Post the matter **30.01.2026.**

Ajay Talegaonkar
Technical Member (Electricity)
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Justice Ramesh Ranganathan
Chairperson