

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

(116)

CWP-3982-2017

Decided on: April 20, 2017.

Raj Kumar and others

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. Arun Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioners.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

The main contention of learned counsel for the petitioners is that the petitioners are entitled to supply of electricity from Urban Feeder for 24 hours whereas they are not being permitted to use the electricity from the said Feeder.

The Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum has considered the grievance of the petitioners and arrived at a conclusion that electric connection No.M2-75 in the name of M/s Mangla Rice Mill near the residence of the petitioners, being run from the Urban Feeder, was illegally used by the petitioners as the petitioners had illegally connected electricity supply of their residence from the transformer of M/s Mangla Rice Mill without getting any approval or permission and knowledge of the Nigam. The petitioners were found taking supply from the Urban Feeder for 24 hours whereas they were in fact entitled for supply from agriculture feeder for 8 hours a day.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has raised a plea that fair opportunity has not been given to the petitioners to put forth their case and

has argued that supply to the petitioners was disconnected on 27.06.2016 and had thereafter been restored only on 04.07.2016.

I have considered the said contention of learned counsel for the petitioners and I am of the opinion that the aforesaid Forum has taken into consideration the said circumstances and arrived at a conclusion that the said arrangement had been made as a time gap arrangement of installation of PAT (Pilot Advance Transforms) to regulate the supply hours of mixed feeder feeding agriculture rural domestic connections as per rules and regulations of the Nigam.

The Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum has observed that the disciplinary action is required to be initiated against the delinquent officers who have failed to install PAT (Pilot Advance Transforms) in time.

On last date of hearing, the petitioners were asked to satisfy this Court that the petitioners do not have any other remedy available to the petitioners. No arguments have been raised on the said point.

In view of said circumstances, I do not find any ground to interfere in the order passed by the Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum.

The petition is dismissed without prejudice to the right of the petitioners to avail the legal/statutory remedy, if any, available to them.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

April 20, 2017
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No