

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA

Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.6692 of 2018

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Hotel Samrat International, Fraser Road, Patna through its General Manager
Manoj Kumar Singh Son of Raghunath Singh Village- Pakauli, P.O. + P.S.-
Punpun, District- Patna.

.... Petitioner

Versus

1. South Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd. Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road,
Patna through its Chairman-cum-Managing Director.
2. The General Manager (Revenue) South Bihar Power Distribution Company
Ltd. Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna.
3. The Executive Engineer, South Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd. PESU
(West) Circle, Dakbunglow Division, Patna.

.... Respondents

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Sunil Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the Respondents : Mr. Vinay Kirti Singh, Sr. Advocate
Mr. Akhileshwar Singh, Advocate

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE VIKASH JAIN

ORAL JUDGMENT

Date: 24-04-2018

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned
counsel for the respondent-South Bihar Power Distribution Company
Limited.

2. The present writ petition has been filed for quashing
letter no. 947 dated 15.03.2018 issued by the General Manager
(Revenue) of South Bihar Power Distribution Company Private Limited
whereby and whereunder the supplementary electricity bill of Rs.
13,78,624/- from March 2017 to November 2017 has been charged
from the petitioner.

3. At the very outset, this Court takes note that remedy by
way of appeal before the Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum is



available to the petitioner against the impugned letter no. 947 dated 15.03.2018 issued by the General Manager (Revenue), which has not been availed of by the petitioner.

4. In view of availability of the alternative remedy as above, this Court is not inclined to interfere in the matter. The writ petition stands dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to file an appeal before the Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum, Patna for redressal of its grievances.

5. It is made clear that in case such an appeal is filed, the concerned authority would have regard to the present proceeding being pursued by the petitioner, while considering any issue relating to condonation of delay, if applicable.

(Vikash Jain, J)

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