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(Through Video Conference)

WPA No. 19501 of 2021

Partha Kumar Dey
Vs.
West Bengal State Electricity Distribution
Company Limited and others

Mr. Timir Baran Saha

... for the petitioner.

Mr. Amitabh Shukla

...for the WBSEDCL.

Affidavit-of-service filed in Court today be kept on
record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that
the petitioner has a grievance regarding an allegedly
abnormal electricity bill raised by the West Bengal State
Electricity Distribution Company Limited (in short
'WBSEDCL')

It is rightly pointed out by learned counsel for the
WBSEDCL that such matters are to be decided by a
Grievance Redressal Officer (GRO) within the purview of
the extant Regulations.

Accordingly, WPA 19501 of 2021 is disposed of
by granting the petitioner liberty to approach the
concerned GRO on the same dispute as raised in the
present writ petition.

If so approached, the GRO shall decide the
dispute upon giving an opportunity of hearing to all the

interested parties as expeditiously as possible, preferably within four weeks from the date of reference.

For the ends of justice, the WBSEDCL is restrained from disconnecting the electric supply of the petitioner prior to January 25, 2022, subject to any order, which may be passed, in the meantime by the GRO, if approached.

It is made clear that the said relief is granted, keeping in view the abysmal financial condition of the petitioner, who is a cultivator during the present *Boro* season.

There will be no order as to costs.

Urgent photostat certified copies of this order, if applied for, be made available to the parties upon compliance with the requisite formalities.

(Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya, J.)