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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\+ W.P.(C) 3470/2024 and CM APPL. 14166/2024

HARVINDER SINGH BASRA .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. B.P. Agarwal, Advocate with Petitioner in person.

versus

DELHI ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION & ANR. .....Respondents

Through: Mr Prashant Mehta, Advocate for R1. Mr. Ashutosh Kr. Srivastava, Mr. Aashwyn Singh and Ms. Manu Tiwari, Advocates for TPDDL.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JYOTI SINGH

O R D E R

% **13.01.2025**

1. This writ petition has been preferred on behalf of the Petitioner seeking the following reliefs:

> "(A) *Direction, order or writ in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ thereby directing the Respondent No.1 to consider the objection filed by the Petitioner and other consumers against the Petition No.28 of 2023 filed by the Respondent No.2 and conduct the public hearing at the earliest and declare the tariff, in the interest of justice.*
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> *(B) Award the costs of present proceedings in favour of Petitioner and against the Respondent."*

2. Mr. Prashant Mehta, learned counsel appearing on behalf of Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission ('DERC'), on instructions, submits that the answering Respondent was unable to pass tariff orders on account of an undertaking given to the Division Bench of this Court on 01.06.2023 and 14.07.2023 in a batch of writ petitions, one of them being W.P. (C) No. 3573/2020. However, subsequently, applications were filed by DERC

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seeking permission to withdraw the undertakings and by an order dated 17.12.2024, the Division Bench has relieved DERC from the undertaking and observed that it shall be open to DERC to proceed in accordance with law and pass tariff orders as well as take such further consequential action as may be warranted and therefore, in view of the said order, DERC shall now proceed to pass the tariff orders. On instructions, Mr. Mehta further submits that due to the undertaking followed by the absence of the Chairman of DERC for a brief period, there has been a backlog of work and therefore, the True Up orders for Financial Years 2021-22 and 2022-23 as well as tariff order for the Financial Year 2025-26 will be passed by the end of May, 2025.

3. In view of the above assurance of DERC, no further order is required to be passed in the present writ petition. Needless to state, Petitioner will be at liberty to take recourse to legal remedies in case of any surviving grievance.

4. Writ petition stands disposed of along with the pending application.

JYOTI SINGH, J

JANUARY 13, 2025/*jg*

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