

**IN THE JHARKHAND STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY
COMMISSION AT RANCHI**

Case No. 38 of 2024

M/s. Regal Ingot Private Ltd. Petitioner
Versus
Jharkhand Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited & Ors. Respondents

**CORAM : HON’BLE MR. MAHENDRA PRASAD, MEMBER (LAW)
HON’BLE MR. ATUL KUMAR, MEMBER (TECHNICAL)**

For the Petitioner : Mr. Dhananjay Kumar Pathak, Advocate
For the Respondent : Mr. Sachin Kumar, Std. Counsel, JBVNL/JUVNL
& Mr. Vivek Aditya, Advocate

Date – 8th April, 2025

- 1. The instant petition has been filed by M/s Regal Ingot Private Limited (hereinafter referred to as the petitioner) under clause 4.7 of the (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2015 for approval of taking H.T. connection on 33 kV line from Respondent-JBVNL with contract demand of 1400 KVA.
- 2. The Petitioner in its petition has prayed for the following relief:
 - i) For grant of approval for getting supply of power at 33KV with a contract demand of 1400 KVA.
 - ii) For grant of any other order(s) as this Commission may deem fit in the interest of Justice.

Submission of the Petitioner

- 3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that petitioner is a private company and has established an steel industry at Telgaria More, Chas, Bokaro and for running its industry the petitioner had taken an electrical connection with a contract demand of 1400 KVA at 11 KV with dedicated feeder and dedicated power transformer at Chas Power Sub-Station.
- 4. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that the petitioner’s electrical connection was disconnected on 29.09.2015 on the allegation of theft of electricity and FIR was lodged and hence electric connection remained closed.
- 5. It was submitted that the petitioner approached the Hon’ble High Court of Jharkhand for restoration of electrical connection vide WPC No. 3033 of 2023 which was allowed vide order dated 11.06.2024 whereby and whereunder the Hon’ble Court directed to restore the electrical connection to the petitioner.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner pointed out that the competent special court vide order dated 11.06.2024 has also acquitted the petitioner from the charges of theft of electricity and pursuant to that the petitioner approached before the respondents for restoration of the power.
7. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that its dedicated feeder has been utilized by the Respondent while giving electrical connection to the general public and it became impossible to get separate uninterrupted power through the said feeder and the petitioner vide its letter dated 14.10.2024 requested the respondents that the power supply be restored at 33 KV feeder.
8. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the technical team of the respondents comprising the JEE/S/Chas, AEE/S/Chas (Urban) and EEE/S/Chas has prepared a feasibility report which confirms the claim and contention of the respondents indicating that it is not possible for restoration of power from 11 kV feeder and the power supply may be restored at 33 KV line from Chas PSS.
9. Learned counsel for the petitioner pointed out that 33KV supply line has crossed adjacent to the petitioner's unit and as such there is no requirement of erection of a new 33KV supply line for providing electricity to the petitioner. Further, it was also submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to forgo the benefit of voltage rebate corresponding to 33KV voltage supply as per the JSERC (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2015.
10. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that as per clause 4.7 of the JSERC (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2015 Distribution Licensee may grant service connection at any other technically suitable nonstandard voltage and no. of phase to consumer with the approval of the Commission.

Submission of the Respondent

11. Learned counsel for the respondent submitted that for the purpose of supplying power to the petitioner, a feasibility report has been prepared by the JEE/S/Chas, AEE/S/Chas (Urban), and EEE /S/ Chas which confirms that the dedicated feeder and power transformer has been utilized by the Nigam to feed power to general public, hence at present situation it is not possible to restore power on 11 KV dedicated feeder without arrangement of 11 kV and power transformer.
12. Learned counsel for the respondent further submitted that in view of the aforesaid facts, approval may be accorded subject to the condition that the petitioner shall bear infrastructural cost and shall not claim high voltage rebate.
13. Learned counsel for the respondent pointed out that at present construction of new 11 KV dedicated line is not feasible as it will pass through highly dense area and along both side of road, already electric poles and feeder exists, as such permission for supply on 33 KV for 1400 KVA load may be accorded, so that order dated 11.06.2024 in WPC No. 3033 of 2023 of the Hon'ble High Court, Jharkhand be complied with.

Commission Observation and Findings

14. The Commission considered the submission made by the parties and perused the materials available on records.
15. Clause 4.7 of the JSERC (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2015 reads as under;
“ 4.7 The Distribution Licensee may, depending upon the technical conditions of the distribution system, give supply at a voltage and phase other than the classification of supply in clause 4.3 of these Regulations, subject to the Commission’s approval.”
16. The respondent does not have any objection in giving supply for at 33 KV with contract demand of 1400 KVA and the petitioner has also admitted of not claiming voltage rebate for connection at 33 KV voltage level with contract demand of 1400 KVA.

In the result, it is ordered as;

ORDER

17. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the prayers of the petitioner is hereby allowed. The respondent may allow connection service to the petitioner at supply voltage of 33KV line with a contract demand of 1400 KVA after ensuring proper arrangement of metering, billing and network system protection.
18. It is hereby also clarified as admitted that the petitioner shall not avail voltage rebate corresponding to 33KV voltage level as per JSERC (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2015.
19. With the aforesaid observations, the petition is hereby disposed off.

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