

**BEFORE THE HARYANA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION AT
PANCHKULA**

Case No. HERC/P. No. 60 of 2024

Date of Hearing : 15/01/2025

Date of Order : 15/01/2025

IN THE MATTER OF:

Petition under Regulation 65 and 67 of Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019 seeking approval of this Hon'ble Commission to recover Repair & Maintenance Charges at the rate of 10% of the estimated cost associated with replacing of existing overhead transmission lines with EHV XPLE underground cables.

Petitioner

Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited, Shakti Bhawan, Sector 6,
Panchkula

Present

On behalf of the Petitioner

1. Sh. Raheel Kohli, Advocate
2. Sh. Shiv Kumar, SE, HVPN
3. Ms. Palika, XEN, HVPN
4. Sh. Abhishek Gupta, AE, HVPN

QUORUM

Shri Nand Lal Sharma, Chairman

Shri Mukesh Garg, Member

INTERIM ORDER

1. The case was heard on 15/01/2025, as scheduled, in the court room of the Commission.
2. Sh. Raheel Kohli counsel for the petitioner presented the brief facts of the case before the Commission and submitted that overhead lines are being converted to U/G Lines on the request of the consumers only. HVPNL will maintain a separate account for the fund so collected and will use these funds explicitly for maintenance of the Under Ground

(U/G) cable system converted from Overhead (O/H) lines. This will avoid unnecessary burdening of general consumers on account of maintenance of the said U/G lines. Also, the upfront availability of funds will result in reduction in working capital of the Nigam.

3. The Commission called the SE, HVPN, present in the court, and enquired whether there is any mechanism available to restrict the use of funds collected from a particular consumer for maintenance of his infrastructure only.
4. The SE, HVPN submitted that no such mechanism is available right now. The funds will be placed in a common pool and will be used for maintenance of U/G cable infrastructure only.
5. The Commission directed the petitioner to submit a mechanism of keeping record of funds deposited by each consumer and expenditure made for such converted lines of each consumer within 3 weeks. However, the funds can be kept in common account.
6. The matter to come up next on 25/02/2025.

This order is signed, dated and issued by the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission on 15/01/2025.

Date: 15/01/2025
Place: Panchkula

(Mukesh Garg)
Member

(Nand Lal Sharma)
Chairman