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No. P.N. 85 of 2026/2026/

Raipur, Date: 27/08/2026

Suo-Motu Petition No. 85 of 2026

1. **Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Co. Ltd**
 2. **Municipal Corporation, Durg**
 3. **Municipal Corporation, Bhilai**
 4. **Municipal Corporation, Risali**
- ... Respondents**

True copy of order passed in order sheet dated 25.08.2026.

Shri J. Jagannath Prasad, SE for respondent CSPDCL (Durg).

Shri Ashish Kumar Bharti, SE for respondent Municipal Corporation, Bhilai.

Shri Girish Diwan, EE for respondent Municipal Corporation Durg.

Shri Akhilesh Gupta, AE for respondent Municipal Corporation, Risali.

2. The Respondent Municipal Corporations of Durg, Bhilai and Risali submitted undertakings in compliance with the previous order dated 18.08.2026, duly signed by their respective Commissioners. It was noted that the said undertakings were not in the prescribed format of an affidavit; however, the same are taken on record, considering that they have been issued as official documents by the respective Government bodies.

3. The Commission initiated the present suo motu proceedings on the basis of Letter No. 170 received from the office of the Chairperson, CGRF, Durg, along with a newspaper clipping published in the newspaper "*Saathi Sandesh*", which reported that CSPDCL was resorting to disconnection of electricity supply in the Durg, Bhilai and Risali regions for one hour during the summer season with a view to curb the unauthorized drawal of water through *Tullu* pumps. The Municipal Corporations were, therefore, impleaded as Respondents in the present proceedings.

4. During the earlier proceedings, the Commission had expressed its displeasure over such action being taken by CSPDCL at the insistence of the Municipal Corporations or pursuant to directions issued by any administrative authority. The Commission observed that such measures may cause more harm than the intended benefit and are not an effective means of preventing unauthorized drawal of water. In the present era of technological advancement, electricity can be made available through alternative sources, and persons may adopt other means to continue the unauthorized operation of water pump through alternate supply source.

5. The Respondent Municipal Corporations have, accordingly, submitted undertakings that no such action or request for interruption of electricity supply shall be made by them in the future.

6. In light of the above submissions and undertakings and in hope that the Municipal corporations will not insist on adoption of any such methods, CSPDCL is directed not to undertake any such action in the future. No interruption of electricity supply shall be carried out merely on the request of any Municipal Corporation or administrative authority, because such action may cause greater public inconvenience than the intended objective of curbing unauthorized drawal of water.

7. The case is disposed of, accordingly.

**Sd/-
Member (Tech.)**

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Member (Law)**