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### REPRESENTATION No: P 58/09

*Appellant* : Sri Devassy S/o Ittira  
Padayattil , NAYATHODU,  
Angamali

*Respondent:* Kerala State Electricity Board  
*Represented by*  
The Assistant Executive Engineer  
Electrical Sub Division KALADY  
Ernakulam District

### ORDER

Sri Devassy S/o Ittira, Padayattil , Nayathodu, Angamali submitted a representation on 24.2.2009 seeking the following relief :

*To restore the Electric connection dismantled by KSEB in May 2005*

Counter statements of the Respondent was obtained and hearing of both the parties conducted on 25.6.2009.

The Appellant is residing in a shed constructed in a purambokku land belonging to irrigation department near the International Air Port Nedumbassery. Electric connection was given to him on 13.6.2003 based upon a building number allotted to him by Angamaly Municipality after observing the standing instructions applicable to electric connections in buildings situated in puramboku land. The irrigation department objected to this and consequently the Municipality informed KSEB on 27.1.2005 that the building number allotted is cancelled and the Irrigation department insisted for dismantling the connection. The Respondent issued notice to the Appellant on 10.2.2005 under proper acknowledgement. The Appellant petitioned the District Collector against the notice and the matter was referred to the Executive Engineer KSEB to decide. The Executive Engineer went through all the records and concluded that the action of the Respondent was in order. The connection was dismantled on 17.5.2005.

According to the Respondent the Appellant did not allow access to the meter and hence the service wire only was dismantled and the cost of meter adjusted to the deposits of the consumer.

In the Representation the Appellant has alleged that the dismantling of connection was done without notice. This had been the main complaint of the Appellant during the hearing also. But the Respondent produced the postal acknowledgment of the notice which was confirmed by the Appellant. More over in a petition filed before the District Collector vide Ref GR/422/2005/21.8.2005 of the collectorate , the Appellant himself had stated that he had received the notice for dismantling. Hence the allegation is found to be false.

The Appellant has no case that he holds a valid building number received from the Municipality. As such the Respondent can not be directed to restore the electric connection without considering the approved procedures and standing instructions on the matter.

The respondent assured that fresh connection shall be provided as and when the Municipality provides official number to the building.

Under the circum stances explained above and after carefully examining all the evidences, arguments and points furnished by the Appellant and Respondent on the matter, the representation is disposed off with the following orders:

1. *The representation, arguments and points raised by the Appellant is devoid of merits and hence dismissed.*
2. *No order on costs.*

Dated this the 25th day of June 2009 ,

P.PARAMESWARAN  
Electricity Ombudsman

No P 58/09/ 274 / dated 26.06.2009

Forwarded to: 1. Sri Devassy S/o Ittira  
Padayattil , NAYATHODU,  
Angamali  
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