

# National Electric Power Regulatory

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#### Consumer Affairs Department

February 24, 2025

Chief Executive Officer, Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO), 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore.</u>

Subject: DECISION IN THE MATTER OF COMPLAINT FILED BY MR. SYED RAZA HUSSAIN SECTION 39 OF THE REGULATION OF GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC POWER ACT, 1997 AGAINST LESCO REGARDING WRONG BILLING (REF# 16 11218 2383900 U) Case No. LESCO-LHR-50023-01-25

Please find enclosed herewith the decision of NEPRA Complaints Resolution Committee (CRC), dated February 24, 2025 regarding the subject matter for necessary action and compliance within fifteen (15) days, positively.

Encl: As above

## Copy to:

- 1. C.E/Customer Services Director LESCO, 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore.</u>
- Mr. Rana Rizwan Sibghat Ullah, Manager/Incharge Central Complaint Cell LESCO, (Focal Person, NEPRA) LESCO, 22-A, Queens Road, <u>Lahore</u>.
- 3. S.E 2nd Circle LESCO, 132kv Grid Station, Chandni Chowk, Town Ship, <u>Lahore</u>.
- 4. XEN Township Division, LESCO 132kv Gird Station Chandni Chowk Township, <u>Lahore.</u>
- 5. Mr. Syed Raza Hussain R/O House No. 414-D, NFC, <u>Lahore</u> <u>Cell#0313-5236769</u>





## BEFORE THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC POWER REGULATORY AUTHORITY (NEPRA)

## Complaint No. LESCO-LHR-50023-01-25

Mr. Syed Raza Hussain, R/O House No. 414-D, NFC, <u>Lahore</u> <u>Cell#0313-5236769</u>

Complainant

Versus

Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO)Respondent22-A, Queens Road, Lahore.100 - 100 -

Date of Hearing:February 13, 2025On behalf of:Syed Raza Hussain

Respondent: Mr. Muhammad Khurram, LM-II, LESCO

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#### DECISION

This decision shall dispose of the complaint filed by Mr. Syed Raza Hussain (hereinafter referred to as "the Complainant") against Lahore Electric Supply Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent" or "LESCO"), under Section 39 of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (hereinafter referred to as the "NEPRA Act").

2. The Complainant in his complaint submitted that LESCO has charged him wrong billing as compared to the actual meter reading at site. The complainant approached LESCO but his grievance was not redressed. Subsequently, the Complainant approached NEPRA for correction of his bill and redressal of his grievance.

3. Accordingly, the matter was taken up with LESCO for submission of parawise comments/report. However, LESCO failed to submit the report despite lapse of a considerable time period.

4. In order to probe further into the matter, the hearing was held at NEPRA Provincial Office, Lahore. The hearing was attended by representatives of both the parties (i.e., LESCO and the Complainant) who advanced their arguments based on their earlier submissions.

5. The case has been examined in detail in the light of the written/verbal arguments of both the parties and applicable law. The following has been concluded:

i. The Complainant is a domestic consumer of LESCO and the connection installed in the name of Mr. Riaz Hussain Gillani, with reference number 16 11218 2383900 U, under the A-1b (03)T tariff. During the hearing, it was revealed that the Complainant was charged with zero (0) reading from May 2024 to October 2024. Subsequently, LESCO charged the Complainant with • accumulated billing of 2180 units in November 2024 for the period of seven '(07) months (i.e., May 2024 to November 2024).

After a detailed analysis and thorough review of the documentary evidence submitted by both parties, along with their respective arguments, it was observed that the complainant was unable to pay the bill for November 2024 due to the accumulated charges. Furthermore, the Complainant requested to pay the bill in seven (07) monthly installments.

6. Foregoing in view, LESCO is directed to accept the payment from the Complainant in seven (07) equal monthly installments and submit compliance report within fifteen (15) days.

مندرجہ بالاحقائق کے پیش نظر لیسکو کوہدائت کی جاتی ہے کہ شکائت کنندہ کو قابلِ ادائیگی بقایاجات کی سات (07) مساوی ماہانہ اقساط بناکر دی جائیں اور درخ بالا احکامات پر عمل کی رپورٹ پندرہ (15) یوم کے اندر دفتر 'ہذا میں جمع کر وائی جائے۔

(Aisha Kalsoom) Member Complaints Resolution Committee/Assistant Director (CAD)

Lahore, February 24, 2025

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(Engr. Dr. Bilal Masood) Member Complaints Resolution Committee/Additional Director (CAD)

