

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

**Case No. HERC/P. No. 86 of 2025
IA - 39 of 2025**

**Date of Hearing : 16/12/2025
Date of Order : 30/12/2025**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Petition under section 181 (1) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Regulation 65, 66, 67 (Saving Of Inherent Powers of the Commission), 68 (General Power to Amend) and 69 & 70 (Removal of Difficulties) of the HERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019 seeking this Commission to exercise its power to relax / power to remove difficulty or in the alternative power to amend the provisions under Regulation 9 (Removal of Difficulties), Regulation 10 (Power to Relax) and Regulation 11 (Power to Amend) of the Duty to Supply Electricity on Request, Power to Recover Expenditure Incurred in Providing Supply and Power to Require Security Regulations, 2016 notified on 11th July 2016 read with its subsequent amendments (1st amendment dated 19th march 2020, 2nd amendment dated 27th September 2023 and the 3rd amendment dated 27th September 2023) to the extent that the option of self-execution of external electrical infrastructure and to obtain single point connection by the developers is restored to the same status as it existed before coming into force of the 2nd and 3rd amendments to the regulation 34 of 2016.

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As per regulation 71 of the HERC(Conduct Of Business Regulation 2019) read with section 94(2) of Electricity Act-2003 for urgent listing of the main petition and allowing the interim relief.

Petitioner

M/s DVOK Buildcon LLP, Unit No. 224, Suncity Business Tower, 2nd floor, Sector 54, Golf Course Road, Gurugram.

VERSUS

Respondent:

Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited, Vidyut Sadan, Vudyut Nagar, Hisar.

Present

On behalf of the Petitioner

Sh. Sanjeev Chopra, Representative

On behalf of the Respondent

Ms. Suman Kashyap, SDO, DHBVN

QUORUM

**Shri Nand Lal Sharma, Chairman
Shri Mukesh Garg, Member
Shri Shiv Kumar, Member**

INTERIM ORDER

1. The matter was taken up for hearing on 16.12.2025, as per the schedule, in the Court Room of the Commission. However, the advocates abstained from appearance owing to the strike call given by the Bar Association, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.
2. Sh. Sanjeev Chopra, appearing on behalf of the petitioner, reiterated the contents of the petition and submitted that the present Interim Application (IA) has been preferred seeking directions to the respondent for release of a temporary electricity connection to enable commencement of construction activities for the proposed project. It was further submitted that, in compliance with the directions of the Commission passed during the previous hearing, a fresh application for release of temporary connection has been submitted to the respondent. The project is required to be completed within a period of three (3) years, and the temporary electricity connection is indispensable for operating the construction machinery and equipment at the project site. The petitioner also expressed willingness to file an affidavit to the effect that the electricity connection, if granted, shall be utilized exclusively for construction-related activities and for no other purpose.
3. On the other hand, Ms. Suman Kashyap, SDO, appearing on behalf of the respondent, submitted that the online application filed by the petitioner is incomplete and certain mandatory documents required to process the same have not been uploaded by the petitioner.
4. Sh. Sanjeev Chopra submitted that the respondent is relying upon Sales Circular No. D-21/2020, which, according to the petitioner, has lost its applicability subsequent to the issuance of the 2nd amendment dated 03.10.2023 to duty to supply regulations. It was further contended that the electrification plan and allied documents cannot be furnished at this stage as the drawings and technical plans pertaining to the project are yet to be finalized.
5. Upon a query raised by the Commission, Ms. Suman Kashyap submitted that the respondent licensee is bound by the extant provisions contained in the applicable Sales Circular, and, therefore, the release of a temporary electricity connection is not permissible until compliance with all prescribed formalities and submission of requisite documents by the petitioner.

6. The Commission observes that while the present procedural framework in vogue may not empower the respondent to release a temporary connection in such circumstances, the request of the petitioner appears bona fide and justified in view of the stipulated completion timeline of three (3) years for the project and the requirement of electricity to operate construction equipment and carry out allied activities.
7. In view of the foregoing, the Commission directs the respondent to release a temporary electricity connection subject to the following conditions:
 - i. The said electricity connection shall be utilized solely for construction purposes and for no other activity whatsoever. The petitioner shall also submit a written undertaking to this aspect to the respondent and violation of this condition shall entail disconnection and other consequences as per law.
 - ii. The release of such temporary connection shall remain subject to the final adjudication of the main petition, and the connection shall be liable to disconnection in the event the main petition is not decided in favour of the petitioner.
 - iii. The respondent shall also examine and propose a suitable long-term mechanism to address similar cases concerning release of temporary construction connections so as to avoid procedural bottlenecks in future. Further, details of the cases where temporary connections released/being released with approval of EP or without approval of EP after issuance of 2nd amendment on 03.10.2023 be provided.
8. The respondent is directed to file its reply to the main petition within a period of four (4) weeks with an advance copy to the petitioner. The petitioner shall file its rejoinder within four (4) weeks thereafter.
9. The matter to come up next on 23/04/2026.

This order is signed, dated and issued by the Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission on 30/12/2025.

Date: 30/12/2025	Sd/- (Shiv Kumar)	Sd/- (Mukesh Garg)	Sd/- (Nand Lal Sharma)
Place: Panchkula	Member	Member	Chairman