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STATE Vs. MUKESH S/O SANT RAM
FIR No.413/2024
PS Uttam Nagar

19.03.2026

Present: Mr. Pramod Kumar, Ld. Addl. PP for the State.
Mr. Ashutosh Kumar, AR for the complainant.
Mr. Tarun Ruhil, LR for the complainant.
Mr. Shlok Saini, Ld. counsel for the complainant.
Accused in person.

The counsel for the complainant submits that the accused has settled the civil liability qua the present electricity theft bill before the Permanent Lok Adalat (PLA) on 05.12.2024 and that he has made the payment of the entire settlement amount of Rs.100/- to the complainant. It is further submitted that in this regard, copy of a Payment Receipt was filed on record on the last date.

As regards the criminal liability, the accused submits that he wishes to plead guilty in the present case. He requests that a lenient view may be taken against him, and that he shall not repeat the offence. The accused also submits that he is making this statement out of his free will, and without any force or coercion.

Thus, the accused has pleaded guilty to the offence under Section 135 of the Electricity Act. The accused is made aware of the consequences of pleading guilty, however he still insists upon his plea of guilt.

After hearing the accused, I am satisfied that he has pleaded guilty without any pressure or coercion. His plea of guilt is

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recorded separately. Since the plea of guilt appears to be voluntary, the same is accepted. The accused Mukesh is accordingly convicted for the offence under Section 135 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

Submissions on the point of sentence of the convict Mukesh heard.

The Additional Public Prosecutor for the State submits that the convict may be sentenced as per law. On the other hand, the convict prays for a lenient view, submitting that he is not financially sound; that he is a first time offender and that he undertakes not to repeat the offence.

The submissions of both sides are considered and the record is perused. Keeping in view the totality of the facts and circumstances of the present case and in the interest of justice, the convict is sentenced to pay fine of Rs.500/-.

At this stage, the accused has deposited the fine amount, vide receipt no. 0353659.

A copy of this order be given *dasti* to the convict, as prayed.

Accordingly, the file be now consigned to the Record Room after due compliance.

(Harleen Singh)
ASJ, Special Electricity Court (South West)
Dwarka Courts, New Delhi
19.03.2026