

Elec. Case No.145 of 2020
(CNR No.WBHW-004344-2020)

Present :Smt. Asmita Samajder
(J.O. Code:WB00956)
Special Judge (Elect. Act), Howrah.

Order No.09 dated 28-10-2025.

The case record is put up as per prayer of the accused persons. Out of four accused persons, two accused persons namely Dhiraj Sonkar, and Sohan Lal Sonkar, on court bail, are present by filing hazira.

An application praying for discharge from this case on the ground of compounding the offence along with some documents is filed.

Ld. Advocate on behalf of the State is present.

The record is taken up for hearing on the point of compounding of offence u/s 135(1) (a) of the Electricity Act, 2003 as per Section 152 of the Electricity Act.

Heard both sides. Perused the entire materials available on record including the money receipt. Considered.

On perusal of the compounding orders vide reference Nos. COMP/LBB/01292/2020 and COMP/LBB/01293/2020, both dated 17-07-2025, amounting to Rs.2000/- each, I find that the offence has been compounded, and the amount of money as directed by the appropriate authority has already been deposited by both the accused persons.

It is seen that according to section 152 of the Electricity Act 2003 the offence of theft of electricity is compoundable in nature

In view of the provisions laid down u/s 152(2) of the Electricity Act, 2003 after acceptance of the sum of money as compounding charges for compounding this offence, this proceeding shall not be continued, and above stated both the accused persons namely Dhiraj Sonkar, and Sohan Lal Sonkar are discharged from their respective bail bonds and set at liberty at once.

No order as regards the seized alat, if any, can be passed as this case is still pending against other two accused persons.

Two non-execution reports, against the W/A issued by this courts of the accused persons namely Lakshman Sonkar, and Poonam Sonkar, are received from Golabari PS.

Accordingly, issue WPA against accused Lakshman Sonkar and Poonam Sonkar, at once.

To 09-03-2026 for E/R of WPA.

Dictd. & corrected by me,

Spl. J

Judge, Special Court (Elec. Act), Howrah.