

KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD

ABSTRACT

KSERC order dated 25-07-2012 on revision of tariff for all consumers including Bulk licensees- Implementation of the revised tariff for all categories w.e.f. 01-07-2012- Sanction accorded- Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell)

B.O. (FM) No. 1546/2012 (KSEB/TRAC/Tariff Rev-2012-13) dated, Tvpm 16.08.2012

Read: 1. KSERC order dated 25.07.2012 on petition OP No. 23 of 2012
2. BO (MF) No. 1510/2012 (KSEB/ TRAC/ Tariff Rev 2012-13) dtd. 06-08-2012
3. Government Order G.O (Ms) No. 18/2012/PD dated 06-08-2012
4. Letter No. 19/ SEA/2012/ KSERC/707 dated 09-08-2012 of KSERC
5. Note No. KSEB/TRAC/ Tariff Rev2012-13 dated 14.08.2012 of the Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff).

ORDER

KSEB had filed the tariff revision proposals before the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (KSERC) on 30-03-2012 for revising the tariff applicable to all categories of consumers including Bulk licensees. KSERC vide the order dated 25-07-2012 has approved the tariff proposals of KSEB with certain modifications and ordered to implement the same w.e.f. 01-07-2012.

2. KSEB vide the order dated 06-08-2012, read as second paper above has ordered to implement the revised tariff applicable to all HT&EHT consumers including bulk licensees w.e.f. 01-07-2012 as directed by KSERC.

3. State Government vide the order read as third paper above has ordered to exempt 'Domestic Consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units and Agricultural consumers from the enhanced electricity charges due to the tariff ordered by KSERC by providing cash subsidy as provided under section 65 of the Electricity Act-2003. Government has also ordered that an amount of Rs 25.00 crore will be provided to KSEB in every month, in advance to compensate the revenue short fall on account of the exemption. KSERC vide the letter read as fourth paper above has permitted the Board to implement subsidy as per the G.O read above strictly as per section-65 of the Act.

4. The Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) vide the note read as fifth paper above has placed the tariff order of the KSERC, Government order on subsidy and decision of the KSERC on the implementation of subsidy before the Board for further orders. Chief Engineer has also placed the detailed procedure to be followed for the smooth and speedy implementation of the tariff order issued by KSERC. The Chief Engineer has pointed out that as per the Kerala Electricity Duty Act, 1963; KSEB has to collect the electricity duty along with the revised electricity charges at the rates specified in the Schedule attached to the said Act of 1963. As per the schedule, the duty shall be collected @10% of the price of energy indicated in the invoice from all LT consumers except public lighting. The Chief Engineer has also requested to ratify the Board order dated 06-08-2012 on implementing the revised tariff for all HT & EHT consumers including Bulk consumers of the State.

5. Having considered the note of the Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff), Board hereby orders to:

- (1) implement the revised tariff applicable to the LT consumers w.e.f. 01-07-2012 as ordered by the KSERC vide order dated 25th July-2012 on petition No. OP No. 23 of 2012.
- (2) exempt domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units and agriculture consumers from payment of the enhanced energy charges and single phase domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units from paying of fixed charges.
- (3) ratify the Board Order dated 06.08.2012 on the implementation of the revised tariff applicable to HT & EHT consumers, including bulk licensees.

For the smooth and speedy implementation of the revised tariff w.e.f. 01-07-2012, Board hereby issues following directions:

- (a) the Director (IT) and all the Distribution field units shall raise the invoice for the electricity charges at the revised rates for the energy consumption from 01-07-2012. While preparing the invoices, Director (IT) and Distribution field units shall ensure the following.
 - (i) All the domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units is exempted from payment of the enhanced energy charges.
 - (ii) All the single phase domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units is exempted from payment of fixed charges.
 - (iii) The agricultural consumers are exempted from the payment of the enhanced energy charges.
 - (iv) The invoices issued to the above categories of consumers shall explicitly contain the following particulars.
 - (a) The total electricity charges payable by the consumer as per the tariff approved by KSERC.
 - (b) Subsidy provided by the Government.
 - (c) Net amount payable by the consumers.
 - (v) The billing procedures and circular issued from Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell (TRAC) of KSEB may be followed.
- (b) The Director (IT) shall be entrusted to make necessary modifications in the 'ORUMA' billing software to implement the revised tariff with immediate effect. He shall also ensure that, necessary modification in the ORUMA billing software shall be completed in a time bound manner in all section offices and the progress shall be reported to the Board within one week from the date of this order.

- (c) The Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell (TRAC) shall issue necessary billing procedures and other instructions to the field offices for the smooth implementation of the revised tariff order.
- (d) All the section offices shall keep the account of the subsidy provided to exempt domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units and agricultural consumers from enhancement in electricity charges. All Deputy Chief Engineers, Distribution circles shall compile and communicate the same to the Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell (TRAC), on monthly basis on or before 20th of the succeeding month, with a copy to the Financial advisor. Since the details of the subsidy is a mandatory information to be submitted by the Board to the KSERC, any failure from the part of the officers in providing the details to TRAC will be viewed seriously by the Board.
- (e) The Financial Advisor shall issue necessary instructions to the field offices / ARUs to account the subsidy receivable from the Government for exempting domestic consumers with monthly consumption up to 120 units and agricultural consumers from enhanced electricity charges. Financial Advisor shall initiate necessary action to obtain the subsidy from Government on monthly basis in advance, as ordered by the Government. If the subsidy is not received as ordered, the matter shall be immediately brought into the attention of the Board.
- (f) Electricity duty on energy charges shall be collected from consumers as per the schedule of the Kerala Electricity Duty Act, 1963.

By Order of the Board
Sd/-
S. Roopakala Jagath
Secretary

To
Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff)
Chief Engineer (Distn. South/Central/North)
Financial Advisor
Director (IT) &SPIO

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