



# KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED.

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## ABSTRACT

Effecting service connections to BPL households- Orders issued.

## CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-D)

B.O. (FTD) No. 68 /2019 (D (D&IT)/D6-AE4/TE Contd /2018-19) dtd, Tvpm. 25 /01/2019

- Read: 1 BO (FTD) No. 1344/2014 (KSEB/TRAC/Supply code 2014/R2/2014) dated 9/5/2014.  
2. BO (FTD) No. 1744/2014 (KSEB/TRAC/Supply code 2014/R2/2014) dated 26/6/2014  
3. Note No. D (D&IT)/ D6-AE4/TE Contd /2018-19 dated 14.01.2019 of the Director (Distribution & IT) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda Item No.67/1/19).

## ORDER

With the announcement of completion of the Total electrification project of the State Government on 29/5/2017, Kerala became the first State in the country to achieve 100% household electrification.

Vide Board Orders read 1 & 2 above, free connections were being issued to SC/ST applicants with connected load below 1000 Watts and to BPL applicants with connected load below 500 Watts. These expenses were expected to be realised from the Government later on and claims have since then been submitted to the Government and the SC/ST Departments.

Free electricity connections to BPL households were also being released under Central Government schemes like the erstwhile RGGVY and the present DDUGJY etc.

DDUGJY scheme for which extension is expected to be granted till March 2019 is in its last lap of implementation. The service connections effected under the scheme have exceeded targets in almost all districts. The quantum of OH portion has also exceeded targets in some districts.

To maintain the 100% electrified status of the state, it is imperative that the upcoming BPL and SC/ST households be given the benefit of free electrification, particularly in the wake of the announcement of the LIFE project (Livelihood Inclusion and Financial Empowerment project), a comprehensive housing scheme for all the landless and homeless in the State, announced by the State Government, targeting to provide safe housing to nearly 4.30 Lakhs of homeless in the State within a period of 5 years.

The Central Government scheme of Saubhagya with the objective of Universal House Hold Electrification in the country, both in Rural and Urban Areas by 31/12/2018 was

launched on 11/10/2017. Field officers had been asked to effect connections under the terms of the Saubhagya scheme to eligible households and to keep a separate register for the connections thus effected. However the DPR for the scheme has not still been approved.

The Director (Distribution & IT) suggested that a clarification on the continued extension of the benefit of free electricity to BPL households be issued.

Having considered the suggestions of the Director (D&IT) vide Note read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 16.01.2019,

1. Resolved that BPL households with a maximum of 1000W connected load shall be given free connection (WP with support posts / post insertion plus a maximum of 200 m OH), using the Board fund, till the end of the plan period 2018-22 or till the fund of ₹ 50 Crores allotted for "continued electrification" in the plan fund for the period is exhausted, as long as there are no other specific schemes in place for granting electricity connections to BPL households free of cost.
2. Further resolved to review the expenditure details related to such connections quarterly to ensure that plan fund is not exceeded and to entrust the Chief Engineer (IT & CR) to incorporate suitable modifications in the OrumaNET software, facilitating the creation of quarterly reports regarding such connections.
3. Further resolved that the Chief Engineers (Distribution) shall consolidate the details of expenses incurred by the Board in giving connections to SC/ST applicants among the above BPL connections and report to the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer, every quarter end of the year, and to authorize the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer to get the expenditure for these connections reimbursed from the SC/ST Departments.
4. Further resolved that all other sources of funds, viz, MLA fund, MP fund, PRI/ULB fund/CSR funds shall be explored and that the KSEBL fund shall be utilized, if no other sources are available.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

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Lekha.G  
Company Secretary-in charge.

To

The Chief Engineers, Distribution- South/Central/North/North Malabar  
The Chief Engineer (IT & CR) /Financial Advisor  
The Chief Public Relations Officer  
All Deputy Chief Engineers, Distribution.

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