



**KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd.**

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**ABSTRACT**

KSERC order dated 25.01.2023 on Fuel Price Adjustment Charges applicable to all consumers including Bulk Consumers and other Licensees in the State for consumption from 01.02.2023 to 31.05.2023 – Implementation of order – sanction accorded –order issued.

**CORPORATE OFFICE (Planning)**

B.O. (FTD) No.86/2023 (KSEB/TRAC / FSP/Implementation/2022-23) dtd., Tvpom 27.02.2023

Read: 1. KSERC order dated 25.01.2023 on petition No. OP 76/2022 filed by KSEB Ltd.

2. Note No. KSEB/TRAC / FSP/Implementation/2022-23 dated 31.01.2023 of Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) (Agenda item No. 33/02/23)

**ORDER**

Kerala State Electricity Board Limited had filed a petition before KSERC on 'Proposal to recover the additional liability incurred during the period from April 2022 to June 2022 over the approved level on Generation and Power Purchase due to variation in cost of fuel, from all consumers including Bulk consumers and other licensee through fuel surcharge amounting to Rs.87.07 Cr.

KSERC, as per order read as 1<sup>st</sup> above has allowed KSEB Ltd. to recover the approved fuel surcharge amounting to Rs. 87.07 crore for the first quarter of the financial year 2022-23 (April 2022 to June 2022) as per the Tariff Regulations, 2021. The approved fuel surcharge is allowed to be recovered from the consumers at the rate of Rs 0.09/unit (paise 9 per unit), over a period of four months for the consumption from 01.02.2023 till 31.05.2023 or until the approved amount of Rs 87.07 crore is fully realized, whichever is earlier. The fuel surcharge is applicable to all consumers including the consumers of KSEB Ltd and all other licensees except 'domestic consumers with connected load of and below 1000 watt and monthly consumption of and below 40 units'.

KSERC has further ordered that

- a. Distribution licensees other than KSEB Ltd shall also collect the fuel surcharge as per this order and remit the amount promptly to KSEB Ltd on a monthly basis.
- b. KSEB Ltd shall provide the details of the fuel surcharge collected in each month to the Commission, within 10 days from the end of the month concerned.
- c. KSEB Ltd and all other licensees shall indicate the rate of fuel surcharge and the amount of surcharge in the bills issued to consumers separately.
- d. KSEB Ltd and other licensees shall account the fuel surcharge collected from each category of consumers separately.
- e. KSEB Ltd and other licensees shall strictly adhere to the Section 65 of the Electricity Act-2003 while providing any subsidy or exemption to the consumers.

The Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) as per note read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above has placed the above matter before the Full Time Directors of KSEB Ltd. for approval. The draft circular detailing the procedures to be followed for speedy implementation of the KSERC order, on billing, collection and monitoring of the fuel surcharge was also placed for approval. The Chief Engineer has also recommended to issue directions to various functional units of KSEB Ltd. to levy the fuel surcharge as per the order of KSERC

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 17.02.2023 resolved to accord sanction for the following:

1. To recover the fuel price adjustment charges @ 9 paise per unit as ordered by KSERC vide order dated 25.01.2023 from all consumers including the consumers of all other distribution licensees for the consumption from 01.02.2023 to 31.05.2023, or until the approved amount of Rs 87.07 crore is fully realized, whichever is earlier, except 'domestic consumers with connected load of and below 1000 watt and monthly consumption of and below 40 units'.
2. To issue necessary directions to various field offices of KSEB Ltd. as under for implementing the KSERC order on fuel surcharge:
  - i) To direct the Special Officer Revenue (SOR) to collect the fuel surcharge @ 9 paise / unit for the consumption from 01.02.2023 to 31.05.2023 in addition to the existing charges in the case of HT & EHT consumers.
  - ii) To direct the distribution field units to collect the fuel surcharge @ 9 paise /unit for the consumption from 01.02.2023 to 31.05.2023 in addition to the existing charges in the case of LT monthly/bi-monthly billed consumers.
  - iii) All the Distribution Chief Engineers / Deputy Chief Engineers shall ensure the implementation of the surcharge and billing as ordered by KSERC and subsequent guidelines and procedures issued by KSEB Ltd.
  - iv) To authorize the Chief Engineer (IT, CR&CAPS) to make necessary modifications in the ORUMANET and HT- EHT billing software to raise the fuel surcharge as ordered by KSERC.
  - v) The Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPS) shall ensure that the rate of fuel surcharge and the total amount of fuel surcharge shall be indicated separately in the bills issued to consumers. The details of preparing the invoice shall be strictly as per the instructions given in the Circular issued by the Board on implementation of fuel surcharge.

- vi) To authorize the Chief Engineer (IT & CR) to provide a report on the details of the fuel surcharge collected in each month to Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell, within 7 days from the end of the month concerned. The details should contain the category wise consumption details and amount of fuel surcharge collected.
  - vii) To direct the Special Officer (Revenue) to take necessary arrangements to inform other Distribution licensees to collect fuel surcharge from their consumers as per the order dated 25.01.2023 and remit the amount promptly to KSEB Ltd on a monthly basis.
  - viii) To direct the Special Officer (Revenue) to monitor the implementation of the Fuel surcharge by other Licensees and prompt payment of surcharge collected to KSEBL as ordered by the Commission.
  - ix) To authorize the Special Officer (Revenue) to provide a report on the details of the fuel surcharge collected and paid by the Licensees to KSEBL, in each month to Tariff & Regulatory Affairs Cell, within 7 days from the end of the month concerned. The details should contain the category wise and consumer wise consumption details of consumers of licensees and amount of fuel surcharge collected.
  - x) To authorize the Financial Advisor to ensure sufficient modifications in the accounting system to account the fuel surcharge collected from each category of consumers separately, as ordered by KSERC.
  - xi) The entire field ARUs and SOR shall account the fuel surcharge strictly as per the instructions issued from the 'Financial Advisor'.
  - xii) To authorize the Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) to provide the details of the fuel surcharge collected in each month to KSERC, within 10 days from the end of the month concerned.
3. To approve the circular on implementation of fuel surcharge for issuing to the distribution field offices.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of Full Time Directors

Sd/-  
Lekha.G  
Company Secretary -in -charge

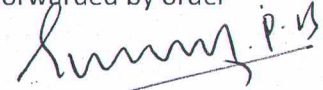
To

Chief Engineer (Distribution) South/Central/North, North Malabar  
Chief Engineer (IT & CR),  
Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff)  
The Financial Advisor, Special Officer (Revenue)

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Deputy Chief Engineer (TRAC)  
Company Secretary  
T.A to (Chairman & Managing Director),  
TA to Director (Distribution, SCM & IT)  
T.A to Director (Trans, SO, Planning & Safety)  
T.A to Director (Generation Civil)/ Director (Generation Electrical &HRM),  
TA to Director (REES, Soura, Nilavu, Sports & Welfare),  
PA to Director (Finance)/ Sr. CA to Secretary  
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Assistant Executive Engineer