

## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd

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## ABSTRACT

Supply, Laying, Testing and Commissioning of 220kV, 800 sq.mm XLPE, Under Ground cable for power evacuation from PES HEP and 220kV, 500 sq.mm XLPE, Under Ground cable, for Inter connection from GTs to 220kV switchyard at Thottiyar HEP - Request for Time extension to M/s.Universal Cables Limited - Sanctioned - Orders issued.

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BO (FTD)No.460/2023(DIRGE/G2/THEP-UCL/2023)

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 25.10.2023

Read: 1. B.O. (DB) No.681/2019(D (GE)/G2/Thottiyar/2019-20 dated 05.09.2019.

2. WO.No.04/2021-22 dated 19.11.2021.

3. Office Order No.12/AE3/2012/CE (PED)/1216 dated 31.12.2021 (Amendment. No1 dated

31.12.2021 to W.O No. 4/2021-22 dated 19.11.2021).

4. Proceedings No. PED-AEE1/2022/1614 dated 03.08.2022.

5. B.O. (FTD) No.145/2023 (DIRGE-AEE4/2023/184) dated 23.03.2023.

6. Letter No. UCL/CHN/KSEB-EHV-532/AVK-028-P&T dated 29.06.2023.

7. MoM dated 11.07.2023 of PMC for Thottiyar HEP.

8. Note No. PED/AEE1/THEP/UCL/2023/Time Extension dated 22.08.2023 of Dy. CE (PED).

9. Note No. DIRGE/G2/THEP-UCL/2023 dated 25.09.2023 of the Director (Generation-Electrical) (Agenda No.21-10/2023).

10. Note No. FA-AT-ST1/2023/67 dated 11.10.2023 remarks of Financial Advisor.

## ORDER

Sanction was accorded, as per the B.O. read as 1<sup>st</sup> above to carry out the balance E&M works of Thottiyar HEP departmentally on piecemeal basis through experienced E&M erection contractors, including purchasing required equipment departmentally. Sanction was also accorded to arrange the procurement of electrical BOP equipment for Thottiyar HEP for which the centrally procured items are to be procured by the Chief Engineer (SCM) and the balance equipment by the Chief Engineer (Generation & PED) and to carry out the erection of all the above items departmentally through experienced E&M erection contractors by inviting tenders for erection, so that the entire work can be carried out for the satisfactory commissioning of the project in line with the progress of civil works.

Accordingly the work of Supply, Laying, Testing and Commissioning of 220kV, 800 sq.mm XLPE Under Ground cable for power evacuation from PES HEP and 220kV, 500 sq.mm XLPE Under Ground cable, for inter connection from GTs to 220kV switchyard at Thottiyar HEP was awarded to M/s. Universal Cables Limited, P.O Birla Vikas, Santa,

Madhya Pradesh - 485 005 as per the Work Order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above and the amount of contract is ₹7,35,77,809/- (Rupees Seven Crore Thirty five Lakhs seventy seven Thousand eight Hundred and nine only) including GST for both Supply (Schedule A) and Service (Schedule B) portion.

The contractor had requested for change of address to which the Work Order was issued and requested to issue the same to "M/S. Universal Cables Limited, 5/1137-B, Mallissery House, Chomath Thazham, P.O Eranchipalam East, Nadakkave, Calicut (GST No.32AAACU3547P1Z2). The request had been incorporated as Amendment No.1 dated 31.12.2021 read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above in accordance with the remarks received from the Financial Advisor.

As per the purchase order "The work shall be completed in all respects, tested, commissioned and handed over to KSEBL within 05 months reckoned from 30 days after the date of issue of work order (on or before 30.06.2022) and considering date of Amendment of Work Order is 31.12.2021. M/s. Universal Cables Limited had requested time extension for the first time up to 31.12.2022 without LD to the contractor. The reason furnished was adverse climatic conditions and non-readiness of site due to pending civil works. Having considered the genuineness of the request of the contractor time extension was granted up to 31.12.2022 as per the proceedings read as 4<sup>th</sup> above without LD to the contractor and without any additional financial commitment to KSEBL.

The contractor has requested for time extension for the second time up to 30.06.2023 without LD to the contractor. The reason submitted for the same were extended monsoon season and non-availability of work front to proceed with the work. KSEBL as per the B.O. read as 5<sup>th</sup> above has accorded sanction to grant time extension up to 31.05.2023 without LD to the contractor and without any financial commitment to KSEBL subject to the conditions (i) Actual cable laying and all works to be completed by April 2023 so that the power generation starts in May 2023 and (ii) Minor finishing works etc. to be completed by May 2023. But the commissioning of the project as envisaged above was not fruitful due to many reasons and laying and termination of 220KV UG cable at Thottiyar HEP could not be done due to non-completion of 220 KV UG cable trench.

The contractor as per the letter read as  $\delta^{th}$  above has requested for time extension for third time up to 31.12.2023 without LD. The contractor has remarked that cable laying and testing at PES site has been completed on 31.03.2023 and 27.05.2023 respectively subsequent to site clearance. It is also remarked that the contractor requires 75 days to complete the work of cable laying and termination at THEP after the handing over of site. The construction of 220kV UG Cable trench is not completed at THEP.

The PMC meeting for Thottiyar HEP held on 11.07.2023 has decided to recommend the time extension for Civil and E&M works up to 15.11.2023. The contractor had completed supply, laying and testing of Cables at PES and supply for THEP. Considering the above the Deputy Chief Engineer (PED) with FPO Chief Engineer as per the note read as 8<sup>th</sup> above has recommended to grant time extension to M/s. Universal Cables Limited

up to 15.11.2023 without LD to the contractor and without any financial commitment to KSEBL.All other terms and conditions of the original work order shall remain unchanged. The time extension shall not exonerate the contractor from any of his liabilities and responsibilities as per work order issued. The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per the note read as 9<sup>th</sup> above for a decision.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors through circulation, has resolved to accord sanction to grant time extension to M/s. Universal Cables Limited, 5/1137-B, Mallissery House, Chomath Thazham, P.O Eranchipalam, East Nadakkave, Calicut for the Supply, Laying, Testing and Commissioning of 220kV, 800 sq.mm XLPE, Under Ground cable for power evacuation from PES HEP and 220kV, 500 sq.mm XLPE, Under Ground cable, for Inter Connection from GTs to 220kV switchyard at Thottiyar HEP up to 15.11.2023 without LD to the contractor and without any financial commitment to KSEBL.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

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LEKHA G Company Secretary

To:

The Deputy Chief Engineer (PED) with full powers of Chief Engineer.

Copy to: The Chief Engineer (IT,CR&CAPS)/ Financial Advisor/ LA&DEO/ Chief Internal Auditor/ Company Secretary The TA to the Chairman & Managing Director / Director (Generation-Civil) / Director (Distribution, Safety, SCM & IT) / Director (Transmission, SO & Planning)/ Director (Generation - Electrical, REES, SOURA, Sports & Welfare) The PA to the Director (Finance & HRM) The Sr.CA to the Secretary (Administration) The RCAO/ RAO Stock File.

Forwarded / By Order

Assistant Executive Engineer