### KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

### NOTIFICATION

#### No.1252/ D(T)/KSERC//2022

Thiruvananthapuram 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022

In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and Regulation 72 of the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2003 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf and after previous publication; the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby makes the following Regulations to amend the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Licensees) Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) Regulations, 2006 namely: -

## Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022.

1. **Short title and commencement.-** (1) This Regulation may be called the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022.

(2) It shall come into force with effect from 01.04.2022 of the financial year 2022-23.

 Amendment of Regulation.- (1) In the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) Regulations, 2006, in Regulation 34, the following proviso shall be added, namely :-

Provided that, KSEB Ltd shall be permitted to remit licence fee for the next three financial years i.e., 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25 to the Commission at the rate of 0.015% of the revenue from sale of power for the previous financial year.

By Order of the Commission

S/d-Secretary

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

# (This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to achieve to general purport)

Section 86(1)(g) of the Electricity Act, 2003 empowers the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (KSERC) to levy fees for the purposes of the Electricity Act, 2003. As per the Regulation 34 of the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) Regulations, 2006, all the Distribution licensees in the State shall pay every year licence fee to the Commission at the rate of 0.03% (subject to revision) of the revenue from sale of power for the previous financial year. Due to the accumulated losses and financial difficulties, KSEB Ltd has been requesting to exempt them /or to reduce the licence fee to the possible extent. The licence fee is already specified as a percentage of annual revenue. Considering the request of KSEB Ltd, the Commission by invoking the powers conferred on it under Section 181(1) of the Electricity Act 2003, and the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2003 published a draft of the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conditions of License for Existing Distribution Licensees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022 inviting comments of the stakeholders. No response has been received from the general public. The Commission has therefore decided to notify the said Regulation as finally approved by the Commission and decided to publish the same in the official gazette.

This notification is intended to achieve the above purpose.