KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Present : Shri T K Jose, Chairman

Adv. A.J Wilson, Member Shri B Pradeep, Member

In the matter of : Schedule of Tariff and Terms and

Conditions for Retail Supply of Electricity by KSEB Ltd and all other Licensees in the State of Kerala with effect from 01.07.2024.

File No.1935/Con(T)/2024/KSERC

Order dated 25.06.2024

- 1. The Commission vide the Interim tariff Order dated 31.10.2023 has approved the 'Schedule of Tariff and Terms and Conditions for Retail Supply of Electricity by Kerala State Electricity Board Limited and all other Licensees with effect from 01.11.2023 to 30.06.2024'. The Schedule of Tariff and Terms and Conditions for Retail Supply of Electricity includes the 'retail tariff applicable to all consumers of the State, Bulk Supply Tariff applicable to small licensees for bulk purchase of power from KSEBL, transmission charges, wheeling charges, cross subsidy charges, meter rent etc.
- 2. The Commission further clarified vide the Interim Order dated 31.10.2023 in petition OP No.18/2023 that "the interim tariff so approved for the year 2023-24 is applicable for the period from 01.11.2023 to 30.06.2024. The Commission may, in the present petition and after duly taking into account the net revenue gap/surplus approved in the process of Truing Up of accounts for the year 2022-23 determine the tariff from the period 01.07.2024 onwards."
- 3. Further, the Commission vide the Interim Order dated 31.10.2023 in petition OP No.18/2023 had ordered as follows:

"Orders of the Commission

- 3.182 The Commission, after considering the petition filed by KSEB Ltd, the views of the stake holders, additional submission and clarifications submitted by KSEB Ltd, in exercise of its powers under Section 62 and Section 86(1) of Electricity Act, 2003, directions of the Hon'ble APTEL in its various judgments and after taking into consideration of the stipulations in Tariff Policy, 2016, KSERC (Terms and Conditions of Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2021, hereby Orders the following.
- (1) Approve the retail tariff applicable to the consumers of the State as discussed in the preceding paragraphs, w.e.f 01.11.2023 to 30.06.2024.
- (2) To approve the Schedule of Tariff and Terms and Conditions for Retail Supply of Electricity by KSEB Ltd and all other licensees with effect from 01.11.2023 to 30.06.2024, and is enclosed as Annexure to this Order.

- (3) The charges such as transmission charges, SLDC charges, wheeling charge, cross subsidy surcharge, green tariff and meter rent as approved above is applicable to all consumers of the State.
- (4) The Commission shall, issue orders for retail tariff for remaining period of the MYT after approving the Truing up of Accounts of KSEBL for the year 2022-23 which is yet to be filed by KSEB Ltd. "
- 4. In compliance of the direction of the Commission, KSEBL on 04.12.2023 had filed the petition for the Truing up of accounts for the year 2022-23. The Commission had conducted the public hearing on the petition on 06.03.2024 and it may take some more time to finalise the petition and to issue order.
- 5. In the meantime, the Commission vide letter dated 16.05.2023 has directed the KSEBL to submit the proposals, if any, for the revision of tariff and terms and conditions of supply w.e.f 01.07.2024, latest by 30.05.2024. However KSEBL is yet to submit the same.
- 6. Once KSEBL submit the proposals for 'revision of tariff and terms and conditions of supply' for the remaining period of the MYT from 01.07.2024 to 31.03.2027, the Commission may initiate appropriate proceedings for the determination of tariff as per the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, National Tariff Policy 2016, KSERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2021, various judgments of Hon'ble APTEL and other Rules and Regulations in force.

The proceedings of tariff determination before the Commission includes prepublication of the proposals of KSEBL, stakeholder consultation including public hearings. Hence, it may take upto three months to complete the entire procedures for tariff determination. The Commission has decided to extent validity of the present Interim Tariff Order dated 31.10.2023 till such time.

7. Considering all these aspects in detail, the Commission hereby orders that the validity of the prevailing 'Schedule of Tariff and Terms and Conditions for Retail Supply of Electricity by Kerala State Electricity Board Limited and all other Licensees' approved by the Commission vide Order dated 31.10.2023 in petition No. OP 18/2023, is extended from 01.07.2024 to 30.09.2024 or till the date of effect of the new Tariff Order to be determined by the Commission, for the control period 2024-25 to 2026-27, whichever is earlier.

Sd/-T K Jose Chairman Sd/-Adv. A J Wilson Member Sd/-B Pradeep Member

Approved for issue

Sd/-C R Satheesh Chandran Secretary