



KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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ABSTRACT

KSEB Limited - Revision of rates for preparation of estimates for engaging personnel on work contract basis for meter readers - Sanctioned - Orders issued.

Corporate Office (SBU-D)

BO (FTD)No.275/2023(DIRDIR-AE5/2022/5002)

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 24.05.2023

- Read: 1. B.O. (FTD) No.1543/2014(D(D&GE)/D5/Uniform rate/GI-158/2013-14) dated 31.05.2014.
2. B.O. (FTD) No.1824/2018 (D(D&IT)/ D6-AE2/ Revision of rates /2018-19/0001) dated 06.10.2018.
3. B.O. (FTD) No. 538/2020 [D(D&IT)/D6-AE2/Revision of Rates/2019-20/0001] dated 19.08.2020.
4. B.O. (FTD) No. 427/2021 [D(D&IT)/D6-AE2/LTS 2021/2020-21/0001] dated 04.06.2021.
5. Note No.CMD/107/Meter reading/2023 Dated 06.05.2023 of the Chairman and Managing Director.
6. Proposal of the committee consists of Director(D,IT&SCM), D(F)i/c and CPO.
7. Note No. DIRDIR-AE5/2022/5002(4) Dated 14.05.2023 of the Director (D, IT, SCM, REES & SCM) (Agenda 59/5/23 of meeting dated 18.05.2023).

ORDER

Following the receipt of complaints and representations from various associations and individuals, demanding rate hike for contract meter readers in KSEBL, the Chairman and Managing Director as per note read as 5th above, entrusted a committee consisting of Director (Distribution, IT and SCM), Director (Finance) and Chief Personnel officer to study the issue regarding emoluments and to put up a proposal with rationale.

The matter was examined by the Committee.

The uniform rates for meter readings fixed as per B.O. read as 1st above were increased by 10% as per B.O. read as 2nd above and a further hike of 10 % was given on these rates as per B.O. read as 3rd above.

Considering the representations in the light of the above facts, the committee has submitted the following proposal for effecting rate hike of meter readers.

"The qualification required for Meter readers in KSEBL is ITI certification. But the meter reading work involves visiting of consumer premises, taking meter readings and uploading the readings to KSEBL billing servers. The Transportation for visiting consumer premises is arranged by meter readers themselves and hence the cost of transportation is also a deciding factor in their remuneration. The Cost of transportation is directly dependent on fuel cost.

A hike of 10% as below is proposed. (However the rate in City area is proposed to be reinstated to the original rate of Rs 5.81)".

Area	Reading per day	present rate per reading(Rs)	proposed rate (Rs)	Remuneration per day as per current rates	Remuneration per day as per proposed rates
City	160	5	5.81	800	929.6
Urban	140	5.81	6.39	813.4	894.6
Semi Urban	120	6.78	7.46	813.6	895.2
Rural (village)	100	8.11	8.92	811	892
Remote	70	12.1	13.31	847	931.7

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 7th above. Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 18.05.2023,

Resolved to allow a 10% hike for the rates for preparation of estimates for engaging personnel on work contract basis for taking meter readings from the rates specified in the B.O. (FTD) No.538/2020 (D(D&IT)/D6-AE2/Revision of rates/2019-20/0001) dated 19.08.2020' in areas other than "city".

Further resolved to reinstate the rate fixed for "City" region vide B.O. (FTD) No. 427/2021 (D(D&IT)/D6-AE2/LTS-2021/2020-21/0001) dated 04.06.2021 to the original rate of Rs 5.81/- per reading.

The revised rates with effect from May 2023 are given below.

Area	Reading per day	Rate
City	160	5.81
Urban	140	6.39
Semi Urban	120	7.46
Rural(village)	100	8.92
Remote	70	13.31

Further resolved to place the matter before the Board of Directors of KSEBL.

Orders are issued accordingly.

**By Order of the
Full Time Directors**

Sd/-

LEKHA G

Company Secretary

To:

The Chief Engineers, Distribution (South/ Central/ North/ North Malabar)

The Chief Engineer [(IT CR & CAPs)/ HRM]

The Deputy Chief Engineers of Electrical Circles

Copy to: The Chief Vigilance Officer/ Legal Advisor & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer/ Chief Internal Auditor/ Company Secretary/ Financial Advisor/ Chief Public Relations Officer

The TA to the Chairman & Managing Director / Director (Generation-Civil) / Director (Distribution, SCM, IT, REES & SOURA) / Director (Transmission, SO, Png, Safety & Generation - Electrical)

The PA to the Director (Finance & HRM)

The Sr.CA to the Secretary (Administration)

The RCAO/ RAO

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Assistant Engineer