



KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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Abstract

M/s. Windsor Castle (LCN 18/3622). – Revision of meter faulty penalty and average bill issued for the consumption month of 03/2020 to 05/2020 – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (SPECIAL OFFICER (REVENUE))

B.O (FTD) No.382/2021 (SOR/HTB.18/3622/2020-21)

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 24.05.2021.

- Read:-
- (1) Request of the consumer dated 13.05.2020.
 - (2) Remark from the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam dated 18.05.2020.
 - (3) Letter of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam to the TA to Director (Distribution, IT and HRM) dated 19.05.2020.
 - (4) Letter from the Office of the Assistant Engineer, Electrical Section, Nattakom dated 18.06.2020.
 - (5) Note No. SOR/HTB.18/3622/2020-21 dated 28.07.2020 of the Special Officer (Revenue) submitted to the Director (Finance).
 - (6) Note No. KSEBL/TRAC/G/S/Code 2020-21 dated 03.12.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer.
 - (7) Note No.SOR/HTB.18/3622/2020-21 dated 26.02.2021 of the Special Officer (Revenue) submitted to the Full Time Directors (Agenda 28/4/21)

ORDER

M/s. Windsor Castle (LCN 18/3622) is an HT consumer of Electrical Section, Nattakom under Electrical Circle, Kottayam. The ToD meter installed at the premises of the consumer was faulty from 10.03.2020 and the same was intimated to the consumer on 17.03.2020. Hence, average consumption for 81983 unit (Kwh) was taken for billing purpose for the consumption month of 03/2020 to 05/2020. The consumer not changed the meter within the stipulated time of 60 days as per the letter dated 17.03.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam. The consumer was informed regarding meter faulty penalty as per the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission tariff order of HT/EHT consumer's Part II B(4d) dated 08.07.2019. However, the consumer failed to replace the ToD meter within the stipulated time. Now, the faulty ToD meter was replaced with new one owned by Kerala State Electricity Board Limited on 09.06.2020. The consumer requested as

per paper read 1st cited above to revise the average bill issued as per Regulation 125 of Kerala Electricity Supply Code 2014 for the consumption month of 03/2020 to 05/2020.

As per the remarks read as 2nd above, it is reported that direct supply was effected from 14.03.2020. But from 10.03.2020 to 14.03.2020 the hotel was working on DG set. Except during night time light load functioning of the hotel was fully stopped on 21.03.2020 due to lock down. The usage of electricity is only for security cabin and gate lights in front and rear side, which was below 2 KW.

As per the letter read as 3rd above, the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam recommended the subject matter and reported that replacement of CTPT is delayed due to lock down. Hence the matter was taken up with the Director (Finance) for decision for the following points as per read as 5th above.

- (1) Whether the current charge bills with effect from 03/2020 to 05/2020 may be revised as per the detailed report of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam.
- (2) Whether imposition of meter faulty penalty avoided, considering the present situation of Covid-19 pandemic and the meter was replaced by the Kerala State Electricity Board Limited.

Hence, an advice was sought from the Deputy Chief Engineer (TRAC) regarding the points cited above.

As per the note read as 6th above, the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) submitted a detailed report to the Director (Finance), wherein it is remarked to consider the request of the consumer to revise the current charge bills as per 2nd proviso to sub regulation (1) of Regulation 125 of Kerala Electricity Supply Code 2014, i.e. any evidence given by consumer about conditions of working and occupancy of the concerned premises during the said period which might have had a bearing on energy consumption, shall also be considered by the licensee for computing the average.

Accordingly, the Deputy Chief Engineer (Comml. & Plg.) with full powers of Chief Engineer has recommended to consider the lockdown restrictions for revising the current charge bills. Also the premises had not been utilized as Covid Centre. Hence the following points can be considered in this case.

1. Demand charge shall be realized as per the tariff order dated 08.07.2019 (billing demand-75% of contract demand instead of Regulation 125(3) of

2. Energy charges shall be realized for March 2020 (upto 22.03.2020) based on normal average consumption as per Regulation 125(1) of KESC 2014 and thereafter for direct supply period for a night time load of 2KW in the premises as per report of Deputy Chief Engineer dated 18.05.2020.
3. Meter faulty penalty may be applied the energy charge (arrived as per report of Deputy Chief Engineer) and on the billed demand charge after allowing a rebate of 25% for the consumption months of 3, 4, 5 of 2020 and thereafter for the billed demand charge.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 16.04.2021.

- 1) Resolved to accord sanction to revise the bills of March, April and May 2020 according to the remarks offered by the Deputy Chief Engineer (Comml. & Plg.) with full powers of Chief Engineer.
- 2) Further resolved to impose meter faulty penalty for ₹ 3,35,901/- as per the above revision.

The decision to pass order as above was taken on 16.04.2021, which is during the currency of Model Code of Conduct (MCC) as ordered by Election Commission of India. Orders has now been issued after lifting the MCC.

By Order of the Full Time Director,

Sd/-
LEKHA .G,

COMPANY SECRETARY (IN-CHARGE).

To

M/s. Windsor Castle,
Kottayam - 686039.

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Copy to:-

1. The Financial Adviser/The Chief Internal Auditor.
2. The PA to the Director (Finance).
3. The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kottayam.
4. ✓ The TA to Chairman & Managing Director/ Director (Distn., IT & HRM/ Director (Transmission & System Operation)/ Director (Generation (Ele.) & SCM) / Director (Generation-Civil)/ Director (Planning & Safety).
5. The PA to Director (Finance)/Senior CA to Secretary (Administration).
6. The Special Officer (Revenue).
7. The Company Secretary-in charge.
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Amrhan
Senior Superintendent.