

# KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Minimizing Regulatory Compliance Burden on Industry/Business-Designated Person for operation of Electrical Apparatus -Relaxation up to 1 MVA-Ratified - Orders issued.

# CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-Safety)

B.O (FTD). No 244/2021 (CSC/AEE2/FTD /2020-21), Tvpm, dated 07.04.2021.

Read: 1.Letter No.J1/95/2020-IND dated 10.03.2021 of the Industries Department.

- 2.Central Electricity Authority (Measures relating to Safety & Electric Supply), Regulations, 2010.
- 3 Note No.CSC/AEE2/General/2020-21/25.03.2021 of the Director ( Planning & Safety ) to the Chairman & Managing Director through the Director(Distribution, IT & HRM).
- Letter No. CSC/AEE2/General/2020-21/373 dated 26.03.2021 of the Chairman & Managing Director to the Secretary, Power.
- 5. Note No.CSC/AEE2/FTD/2020-21/381 dated 30.03.2021 of the Director (Planning & Safety )to the Full Time Directors(Agenda No.104/3/21).

#### ORDER

The Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala held a meeting on 17.03.2021 with the various departments with regard to minimizing Regulatory Compliance Burden on Industry/Businesses. The proposal of relaxing the role of Designated person in a Consumers Premise for handling electrical apparatus with a load up to 1 MVA for minimizing Regulatory Compliance Burden came up for discussion.

The Regulation 3 of the Central Electricity Authority(Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply), Regulations, 2010 sets the attributes for the Designating person(s) to operate and carry out the work on electrical lines and Apparatus.

### Regulation 3

(1) A supplier or a consumer, or the owner, agent or manager of mine, or the agent of any

company operating in an oil field or the owner of a drilled well in an oil field or a contractor who has entered into a contract with a supplier or a consumer to carry out duties incidental to the generation, transformation, transmission, conversion, distribution or use of electricity shall designate persons for the purpose to operate and carry out the work on electrical lines and apparatus.

- (3) No person shall be designated under sub-regulation (I) unless, -
- (i) he possesses a certificate of competency or electrical work permit, issued by the Appropriate Government
- (ii) his name is entered in the register referred to in sub regulation (2).

The Director ( Planning & Safety ) put up a note read as 3 <sup>rd</sup> above suggesting that the relaxation of the requirement of designated persons for handling electrical apparatus up to 1 MVA would certainly lessen the compliance burden on the prospective Business/ Industrial Consumers. It would result in the following benefits.

- 1. More Consumers will be interested in availing High Tension Service Connections.
- 2. Will enhance HT/LT Ratio of lines resulting in reduction of Line losses.
- 3. Supply Interruption will lessen thus improving the overall stability and quality of supply.
- 4. Better Voltage Regulation.
- 5. Will improve Standard of Performance.

As per Regulation 116 (1) (Deviations) of the Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply), Regulations, 2010, the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, by order in writing, allow deviations in respect of matters referred in these regulations except regulation 30.

The Director ( Planning & Safety ) as per note read as 3 <sup>rd</sup> above further suggested that the deviation in relaxing the role of designated persons for handling electrical apparatus with a load up to 1 MVA in electrical installations may be suitably presented before the Government for invoking it's power under Regulation 116, which permits the State Government to allow deviations in respect of matters referred in the Regulations except Regulation 30 and the matter was placed before the Chairman & Managing Director for a decision.

The Chairman & Managing Director agreed upon the same with direction to take up the matter with the Government and to place the matter before the Full Time Directors for ratification.

Accordingly the letter read as 4<sup>th</sup> above was sent to the Government requesting for relaxing the role of Designated person in a Consumers Premise for handling electrical apparatus with a load up to 1 MVA for minimizing Regulatory Compliance Burden on Industry/Business by

invoking it's power under Regulation 116 of Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply), Regulations, 2010, which permits the State Government to allow deviations in respect of matters referred in the Regulations except Regulation 30.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 5<sup>th</sup> above for ratification. Having considered the matter in detail, The Full Time Directors in their meeting held on 31.03.2021 resolved to ratify the action in requesting the Government for relaxing the role of Designated person in a Consumers Premise for handling electrical apparatus with a load up to 1 MVA for minimizing Regulatory Compliance Burden on Industry/Business by invoking it's power under Regulation 116 of Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply), Regulations, 2010, which permits the State Government to allow deviations in respect of matters referred in the Regulations except Regulation 30.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of Full Time Directors
Sd/LEKHA.G
Company Secretary-in-Charge

To

The Chief Safety Commissioner.

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Assistant Executive Engineer