

## **KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED**

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## ABSTRACT

Cutting and removing of trees standing in the proposed area for the construction of 3MW Grid Tied Ground Mounted Solar PV Power Plant at 220kV Substation Palakkad – Tender cum Auction confirmation - Sanctioned - orders issued.

## **Corporate Office (SBU-T)**

B.O.(FTD) No.229/2021/D(T&SO)/T7/SR/2020-21) Thiruvananthapuram Dated:31.03.2021

- Read: 1. Order No. P4-1007/2020 dated 04.11.2020 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Palakkad
  - 2. Letter No. CE/TRN/AEE (C) /SR/20-21/1518 dated 04.02.2021 of the Chief Engineer,

**Transmission North** 

- 3. Letter No. D(T&SO)/T7/SR/2020-21/616 dated.24.02.2020 of the Director (Transmission & System Operation) addressed to the ChiefEngineer, Transmission North.
- 4. Letter No.CE/TRN/AEE (C ) /SR/20-21/1819 dated 23.03.2021 of the Chief Engineer, Transmission North
- 5. Note No. D(T&SO)/T7/SR/2020-21/ dated 26.03.2021 of the Director (Transmission & System Operation) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda 86/3/21)

## **ORDER**

A 3MW Solar plant is proposed to be installed at the premises of 220kV Substation Palakkad. For this, trees and bushes in the proposed area have to be cut and removed. As per the letter read as 1<sup>st</sup> above the Deputy Conservator of Forest, Social Forestry Division Palakkad had given valuation of 2924 Nos of trees including bushes (2910 trees+ 14 veeti trees had to be cut and transported to the nearest depot under the guidance of Territorial Division, Palakkad and to be auctioned) and permission for cutting the trees from the proposed site. The valuation of trees come to Rs. 6,79,454/-

The Chief Engineer, Transmission North has informed as per letter read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above that, the work for the construction of 3MW Grid Tied Mounted Solar PV Power Plant at 220kV Substation Palakkad was awarded to M/s INKEL Ltd. The site was handed over on 22.07.2020 and the target date of completion is 31.05.2021. They supplied Solar PV panel, structures at Kanjikode site for completing the work before the target date.

The Survey Report was prepared based on the Valuation statement of Social Forestry Division and the survey report was sanctioned by the Director (T&SO) as per letter read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above.

As per letter read as 4<sup>th</sup> above, the Chief Engineer Transmission North has reported that, the Tender cum Auction was conducted by the Deputy Chief Engineer, Transmission Circle Palakkad for cutting and removing of trees standing in the proposed area for the construction of 3MW Grid Tied Ground Mounted Solar PV Power Plant at 220kV Substation Palakkad . In this response three tender forms were received and only one person participated in the auction. The highest amount quoted is Rs. 5,09,600/- by the tenderer M/s Rich Phytocare Pvt Ltd. Flat No.28, Mahalekshmi Enclave, Chennai which is 75.0014% of assessed value. It is also reported that the response of bidders is very poor in similar cases and the rates obtained are very low of assessed value after conducting tender-cum-auction minimum three times.

The Chief Engineer, Transmission North has requested sanction for confirm the auction to the highest bidder M/s Rich Phytocare Pvt Ltd. Flat No.28, Mahalekshmi Enclave, Chennai at their quoted amount of Rs.5,09,600/- (Rupees Five lakhs nine thousand and six hundred only) + GST + Forest Development charges + Income Tax on Timber

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per the note read as 5<sup>th</sup> above.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 26.03.2021, resolved to accord sanction to confirm the Tender cum auction to M/s Rich Phytocare Pvt Ltd. Flat No.28, Mahalekshmi Enclave, Chennai for the cutting and removing of trees standing in the proposed area for the construction of 3MW Grid Tied Ground Mounted Solar PV Power Plant at 220kV Substation Palakkad at the their quoted amount of Rs. 5,09,600/-(which is 75.0014 % of the assessed value)+ GST + Forest Development charges + Income Tax on Timber.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors,

Sd/-Lekha G. Company Secretary (In- Charge)

To : The Chief Engineer, Transmission North

Copy to:

The Deputy Chief Engineer, Transmission Circle, Palakkad The Financial Adviser/ The Chief Internal Auditor. The Dy. Chief Engineer (IT)/ The RCAO/ RAO. The TA to Chairman & MD/D(T&SO)/D(D,IT&HRM)/D(G-C)/D(G-E&SCM)/D(P&S) The PA to Director (Finance)/Company Secretary, The Legal Liaison Officer, Kochi Fair Copy Superintendent/Library/Stock File.

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