

## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd

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## **ABSTRACT**

Steps to combat the pandemic, COVID 19 – Granting subsidy to domestic consumers for electricity charges for the bills not included in the period 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020 – Sanctioned-Orders issued.

## **CORPORATE OFFICE (IT)**

BO(FTD)No.83/2021(IT/CU/Covid-19/Subsidy/2020-21), Thiruvananthapuram. Dated 29.01.2021

Read: 1.B.O(FTD) No.434/2020(KSEB/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic-Tariff Concession/2020-21) dated 25-06-2020.

- 2.B.O(FTD) No.526/2020(KSEB/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic-Tariff Concession/2020-21) dated 17-08-2020 .
- 3.Note No.IT/CU/Covid-19/Subsidy/2020-21/397 dated 07.01.2021 of the Chief Engineer(IT,CR & CAPs) to the Full time Directors (Agenda 45/1/21).

## **ORDER**

The Chief Engineer (IT,CR & CAPs) as per the note read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above has reported that KSEBL, as per B.O read as 1<sup>st</sup> has accorded sanction to provide subsidy to domestic consumers as instructed by the State Government on the additional bill amount raised in invoices issued from 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 to 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020. Accordingly subsidy was issued through OrumaNet application, for all applicable consumers who have billed between 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020.

As per BO read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above, necessary modifications were also done in the Orumanet to allow subsidies to domestic consumers whose reading could not be taken (but average bill issued) from 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020 and thereafter in the next billing cycles due to the containment zone restrictions or otherwise by considering the door lock average bills issued for such consumers.

During the lock down period due to shortage of employees, area code daycode and zone of some consumers were rearranged and due to this actual reading date of these consumers were delayed to 2 to 25 days and there was no bills for such consumers from 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020. Since bills generated for the period 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020 was considered for generating subsidy, these consumers were exempted as there was no bills during this period due to the delay in actual meter reading.

All such consumers were billed during the next billing cycle starting from 20.06.2020 to 19.08.2020. Therefore the consumers coming under domestic category, who were not given subsidy during the period from 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020, since there were no bills issued to them during the period, subsidy was generated and credited to them for the bills issued to them in the next billing cycle, ie from 20.06.2020 to 19.08.2020. Subsidy were also

given to the above category consumers whose doors were remain closed during the said period, ie; subsequent bills, when meter reading were made available.

In view of the above, the Chief Engineer(IT,CR & CAPs) recommended to ratify the action of crediting the subsidy to eligible consumers due to delay in taking the actual reading during the subsidy period, by considering their bills issued from in the next billing cycle during the period 20.06.2020 to 19.08.2020. Also recommended to ratify the action of giving subsidy to the above category of consumers whose doors were remain closed, during the subsequent bills, when the door-open bill revision excess from 23.03.2020.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read (3) above. Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 20.01.2021 resolved to ratify the action of giving subsidy to consumers coming under domestic category and were not given subsidy as there were no bills issued during the period from 20.04.2020 to 19.06.2020 by considering the bills issued to them in the next billing cycle from 20.06.2020 to 19.08.2020.

Further resolved to ratify the action of giving subsidy to the above category of consumers, whose doors were remain closed during the above period in subsequent billing cycle when meter readings were made available.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

Sd/LEKHA . G
Company Secretary(i/c)

To

The Chief Engineer (IT,CR &CAPs)
The Deputy Chief Engineer (C&P) with full powers of Chief Engineer

Copy to:1.The Financial Adviser, KSEBL

2.All the Chief Engineers (Distribution)

3.All the Deputy Chief Engineers, Electrical Circles.

4. The Company Secretary

5.The TA to CMD/ Director (D,IT & HRM)/(T,SO &REES)/(G(E),SCM)/(G-C)/(P&S)

6.The PA to Director (Finance)

Forwarded / By Order

Assistant Engineer