



## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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### ABSTRACT

Laying of 33kV UG cable from near Kannamba Temple to 33kV Substation, Vilakulam – Berm/Tar/Concrete cutting of PWD Road – Restoration Charges and Security Deposit – Sanction for Remittance –Orders issued.

### Corporate Office (SBU-T)

B.O.(FTD)No.63/2021/D(T &SO)/T2/Vilakulam/Road Cutting/2020-21/ Thiruvananthapuram dated 23.01.2021

- Read: 1. BO(FTD)No.451/2020/D(T&SO)/T1/Vilakulam/2020-21 dated 01.07.2020 f ~
2. Demand Notice No.D5-4764/2020 dated 21.10.2020 from the Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram
3. Letter No.DB2/TCT/Vilakulam/2020-21/1452dated 21.12.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Transmission Division, Kazhakuttam addressed to the Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram.
4. Circular No. CE/R&B/GL-RC/3/2018 dated 24.09.2020 of the Chief Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram
5. Letter No.D5-4764/2020 dated 17.12.2020 of the Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram
6. Note No.CE(TS)/EE1/DBC/Vilakulam/2020-21/1387 dated 11.01.2021 of the Chief Engineer(Trans. South).
7. Note No.D(T&SO)/T2/Vilakulam/Road Cutting/20-21/242 dated 14.01.2021 of the Director (T&SO) (Agenda Item No.31/1/21)

### ORDER

The revised Administrative Sanction was accorded, as per the Board Order read as 1<sup>st</sup> above, for Rs.998Lakh, for the construction of 33kV Substation at Vilakulam and connected 33kV line including laying of 3.3km of 33kV UG cable from near the Kannamba Temple to Punnamoodu DP and from Punnamoodu, after railway crossing, to the 33kV Substation at Vilakulam.

The construction of the 33kV Substation at Vilakulam including the erection of yard equipments is almost completed and the cable laying works are progressing in full swing.

The Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram issued Demand Notice, as per the letter read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above, for Rs.5,95,716/- towards Roads Restoration Charges and Rs.55,200/- as Security Deposit for the berm/tar/concrete cutting in PWD roads requested by KSEB Ltd. at several locations for laying UG cable to the substation.

As per the PWD Circular read as 4<sup>th</sup> above, KSEB Ltd. need not remit the Security Deposit for the road restoration work as guarantee against improper restoration as well as the supervision charges of 2.5% of the restoration charges, as KSEB Ltd., is not entrusted with the road restoration works. Based on this, KSEB Ltd., has remitted only the Road Restoration Charges of Rs.5,95,716/- as per letter read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above.

The Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Thiruvananthapuram, as per the letter read as 5<sup>th</sup> above, intimated that the road stretch from Kurakkani to Bornio Junction where the road cutting sanction was requested is under the Defect Liability Period (DLP) and hence based on the above PWD circular, demanded to remit the Security deposit amount of Rs.55,200/- also for according road cutting sanction.

As per clause 39 of GO(Rt) No. 30/2018/PWD dated 05.01.2018, in case of cutting permission granted to roads under DLP, the responsibility of the DLP will be shifted from the original contractor to the agency who carries out the road cutting. Also a security deposit has to be remitted by the agency to the PWD for ensuring road restoration, as the original contractor is relieved from his DLP for that stretch. ie., the sanction requesting agency has to carry out the road restoration themselves after remitting the restoration charges, supervision charges and the security deposit. Moreover, the DLP will also be shifted to the agency from the original Contractor.

In the case of KSEB Ltd., the road restoration of all the roads with or without DLP has to be carried out by PWD as per the circular read as 4<sup>th</sup> above. For roads without DLP, only the restoration charges have to be remitted and for roads with DLP, over and above the restoration charges, the security deposit also has to be remitted and the DLP will also be shifted from the original contractor to KSEB Ltd.

The Chief Engineer (Trans. South) as per note read as 6<sup>th</sup> above intimated that the stretch from Kurakkani to Bornio Junction where road cutting sanction requested for the cable laying work of 33kV Substation, Vilakulam comes under Defect Liability Period for three years.

The commissioning of 33kV Substation at Vilakulam is included in the 100 days programme of the Government of Kerala and is scheduled to be completed by the end of January, 2021. The construction of the substation are nearing to completion. As regards to the line construction, OH feeder portion is almost completed and the cable laying from Kannamba Temple to the 33kV Substation at Vilakkulam is pending for want of tar cutting sanction from PWD.

Considering the urgency of the work, the Chief Engineer (Trans. South), as per the note read as 6<sup>th</sup> above requested sanction for remitting the Security Deposit amount of Rs. 55,200/- for the berm/tar cutting required for the cable laying in the stretch from Kurakkani to Bornio Junction, evenif, it seems that the Security Deposit remittance and shifting the DLP to KSEB Ltd. for restoration works carrying out by PWD are unfair, improper and unnecessary.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors for sanction as per note read as 7<sup>th</sup> above

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 20.01.2021,

Resolved to accord sanction to remit the Security Deposit amount of Rs.55,200/- (Rupees Fifty Five Thousand Two Hundred Only) under protest since the subject work has to be completed and commissioned by the end of January, 2021, as the same is included in the 100 days programme of the Government of Kerala.

Further resolved to take up the matter of payment of Security Deposit by KSEBL and shifting the responsibility of the existing DLP from the original Contractor to KSEBL with the Government of Kerala.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors,  
Sd/  
LEKHA.G  
Company Secretary (In-Charge)

To : The Chief Engineer (Transmission South )

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Assistant Executive Engineer