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ABSTRACT

Claiming additional 15% grant under DDUGJY scheme – furnishing of AT &C loss figures of SBU-D to Ministry of Power - Low collection efficiency – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-D)

B.O.(DB) No. 11 / 2021 (CAPS/P1/DDUGJY/REC/2020-21) Thiruvananthapuram, dated 11. 01.2021

Read: 1. B.O.(DB)No.199/2020 (IT/Proj./RAPDRP/KDN/2019-20, TVM dated 17-03-2020

- 2. Note no. No CAPs/P1/ DDUGJY Closure/REC/2020-21/205 dated 28.12.2020 of the Chairman and Managing Director, KSEBL.
- 3. Proceedings of the 56th meeting of the Board of Directors held on 01.01.2021 at 11.00AM (Agenda item no. 33-12/2020).

ORDER

The Chairman and Managing Director as per the note read above has reported that KSEBL has completed all the 14 district projects under DDUGJY scheme within the time period, given by the MoP, Govt. of India (up to 30.09.2019) which is one of the mandatory requirements for getting 15% additional grant and the closure proposals were submitted to REC (Nodal Agency for implementation of DDUGJY) on 15.09.2020 through the Govt. of Kerala. Also the CMD has reported the requirement of furnishing the certification by Head of Utility on the achievement of following milestones to REC for processing final and additional eligible 15% grant under DDUGJY scheme.

- i) Timely completion of the scheme.
- ii) Reduction in AT&C losses as per trajectory finalized by MoP in consultation with State Governments (Discom-wise).
- iii) Upfront release of admissible revenue subsidy by State Government based on metered consumption.

As per the guidelines of DDUGJY scheme, the evaluation of above said Criteria (ii) & (iii) will be done from the award year (For KSEBL 2015-16 is the award year) of the project by MoP for determining the eligibility for the release of additional grant of 15% on annual tranche (5%) basis for three consecutive years. KSEBL will become eligible for an amount of about Rs.70Cr. as additional grant, if meeting the requirement under criteria (ii) stated above on AT &C loss figures.

The AT&C loss figures of SBU-D of KSEBL computed and furnished to various government agencies such as PFC, CEA etc in financial years 2015-16 to 2018-19 is found to be slightly more than the AT & C loss trajectory approved by MoP vide Office Memorandum dated 13-04-2017.

Poor values of collection efficiency has affected the KSEBL in achieving better AT &C loss figures, which is mainly attributed by the non-payment of State Government consumers such as KWA & its pumping stations, Government Offices etc. By improving collection efficiency, the AT &C

loss figures of KSEBL is expected to reach the acceptable values given in the AT & C loss trajectory approved by MoP.

The payments by KWA are dependent on Government decisions such as budget allocation or Electricity Duty adjustments payable to Government by KSEBL. The State Government decides on releases of such payments as lump sum amount periodically. As of now, Government had released the payments due from KWA as on October 2018. Considering these facts, the non-payment by Government consumers should not be treated as contributable factor to collection efficiency.

In the above scenario, the collection efficiency can be improved by treating the payments due from KWA & its pumping stations and Government offices as paid for the computation of AT & C loss figures of SBU –D of KSEBL so that the loss can be brought down to acceptable values given in the AT & C loss trajectory approved by MoP.

The Board has already taken a similar decision on treating the non-payment of these Government consumers for computing the AT &C loss figures of R-APDRP towns for claiming the grant from MoP under Part- B of RAPDRP and issued order read (1) above.

The 56nd meeting of the Board of Directors held on 01.01.2021 discussed the matter of poor collection efficiency in achieving better AT&C loss figures, which is attributed by the non-payment of State Government consumers especially KWA. Having considered the matter in detail, Board of Directors resolved to treat the payments due from Kerala Water Authority & its pumping stations and Government Departments as paid (deemed payment), by adjusting against present/future Electricity duty retention amount, for computation of AT&C loss figures so that the AT & C loss figures for SBU –D of KSEBL can be brought down to acceptable values given in the AT & C loss trajectory approved by Ministry of power to claim additional grant from Government of India under DDUGJY scheme.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Director Board

Sd/-

Lekha G.
Company Secretary (I/C)

To

The Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs)

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