



KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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Abstract

Conduct of cases before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala - Entrusting Advocates on special engagement - Instructions - Sanctioned - Orders Issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (LAW)

B.O. (FTD) No.615/2020 (LA & DEO/GL/SC Appointment /2016).

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 06.10.2020.

- Read:-
- 1) Letter No.LA & DEO/GL/SC Appointment/2016 dated 20.07.2017 of Secretary (Admn) addressed to Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate, High Court of Kerala.
 - 2) Letters dated 18.01.2020 & 22.06.2020 of Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate.
 - 3) Note No.LA & DEO/GL/SC Appointment/2016 dated 23.09.2020 of Legal Adviser & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer to the Full Time Directors (Agenda No.51/9/20).

ORDER

Kerala State Electricity Board Limited has engaged a panel of Standing Counsel for conducting cases before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala. At the same time, because of the stake and seriousness of the issues involved in the cases the Board has to engage Advocates from outside the panel. Very often, cases are being entrusted with Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate, High Court of Kerala considering its importance and merit, with an advocate fee of not less than ₹30,000/- per case and the same was intimated to him as per letter read as 1st above.

Now, Sri. Raju Joseph as per letters read as 2nd above has informed that there is considerable delay in honouring his claim towards advocate fee and expenses and requested to honour his claims at the earliest rather than parting the ties in an unsavory manner.

As directed by the Chairman & Managing Director, a proposal to regulate the special engagement of Advocates and the fee structure to be adopted in each case, was placed, as per note read 3rd above, before the Full Time Directors for consideration.

Having examined the proposal in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 25.09.2020, resolved to accord sanction for the following :-

- KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED
- i) To specially engage Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate only for conduct of cases of considerable merit, seriousness and high stake and only if the appearance of the said Counsel is needed to safeguard the interest of the Board.
 - ii) To allow Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate to prefer advocate fee of ₹30,000/- and expenses in cases of general matter and ₹50,000/- and expenses in special cases involving high stakes, merit and volumes. Similarly, in RP, COC and other auxiliary cases relating to WP/WA, the Senior Advocate be allowed to charge ₹15,000/- per case and to intimate such agreeable amount to him at the time of sanctioning special engagement itself.
 - iii) To pay Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate 50% of the preferred claim after filing the petition/appeal and the balance 50% after the disposal of the case.
 - iv) If Sri. Raju Joseph is specially engaged in a large number of connected cases of similar nature, a consolidated fee be fixed for the conduct of cases in consultation with him and the same be intimated to him in advance.
 - v) To prepare a panel of experienced Senior Advocates who are willing to conduct the cases on behalf of the Board in the same fee pattern as that of Sri. Raju Joseph, Senior Advocate in consultation with the Legal Liaison Officer, Kochi in addition to the existing panel of Standing Counsel for entrusting the cases considering its merit and stakes on special engagement basis.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the
Full Time Directors
Sd/-

LEKHA G.
COMPANY SECRETARY-IN CHARGE

To

The Legal Adviser & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer, KSEB Ltd., Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram.

Copy to:-

- 1) The Financial Adviser/The Chief Internal Auditor.
- 2) The Chief Engineer (IT).
- 3) The Company Secretary -In-Charge.
- 4) The TA to Chairman & Managing Director/Director (D, IT & HRM)/
Director (Gen.-Civil)/ Director (Gen. – Electrical & SCM)/
Director (T&SO, REES)/ Director (Planning, Safety & Soura)
- 5) The PA to Director (Finance).
- 6) All Sections in the Office of the Legal Adviser & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer.
- 7) The Senior CA to Secretary (Administration).
- 8) Stock file.

Forwarded / By Order

