

Kerala State Electricity Board Limited

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ABSTRACT

Delay in execution of maintenance works of street lights under Electrical Section, Kozhikode- representation of Sri. Thottathil Raveendran, Mayor, Kozhikode Municipal Corporation -Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-D)

B.O(FTD)No.325 /2020(D(D&IT)/D5/General Complaints/2020-21/0004) Dated,Thiruvananthapuram .

12.05.2020

Read:

1. Representation dt 10.04.2020 of Sri. Thottathil Raveendran, Mayor, Kozhikode Municipal Corporation submitted to the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity
2. Letter no. ECK/TS1/ Street light/2020-21/61 dated 23.04.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode to the Director(Distribution, IT & HRM)
3. Note No. D(D&IT)/D5/General Complaints/2020-21/0004 dated 30.04.2020 of the Director(Distribution, IT & HRM) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda Item no.14/5/20)

ORDER

Sri. Thottathil Raveendran, Mayor, Kozhikode Municipal Corporation has submitted a representation read as 1st above, to the Hon'ble Minister for Power, requesting necessary action for arranging repair of the street lights which are not working under Electrical Section, Kozhikode. It is submitted that at present, there are around 40,000 street lights in the 75 wards coming under the Electrical Section, Kozhikode, which were being maintained by KSEBL. For the past two months, the works of changing the street lights to LED type was being done by the Karnataka Electric Corporation as per contract. Around 18,000 new LED street lights have been installed so far. The work is presently stopped due to the Covid-19 situations. Of the remaining 22000 to be replaced, around 75% (viz. around 16,500 nos.) are not working. It is further submitted that, it is around two months since the bill for street light maintenance is submitted to the Treasury. As per the prevailing condition, there is restriction in Treasury operation also. Hence, the maintenance works being done by KSEBL is stranded as of now , as KSEBL is not in receipt of the required amount. The Mayor has reported that, as street lights are not working, anti social activities during night time has increased.

Hence, it is requested to take necessary action for arranging repair of the street lights which are not working. It is assured that, the amount due to KSEBL will be remitted, once the bills are passed from the Treasury.

The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode, as per letter read as 2nd above reported that repair of street lights in Kozhikode Corporation is undertaken by KSEBL on deposit work basis, on remittance of labour charges and supply of materials by the Corporation. Demand notices totaling to Rs.55 lakhs were given to the Corporation as deposit work amount. The Secretary, Kozhikode Corporation informed that, the bill for that amount was submitted in Treasury; however, the amount is not cleared due to Treasury controls. Out of the total work, work amounting to Rs.45 lakh has already been completed as there were many issues due to non working of street lights pointed out by the Hon'ble Mayor and the District Collector. Now, the Mayor has mentioned that around 16,500 street lights are not burning. The replacement using LED as part of the new project is also pending due to the lock down. The approximate labour cost of replacement will be around Rs.90 lakh. There are many social issues due to non- burning of street lights and hence, urgent repair of the same is required. Under these circumstances, the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode has requested permission to undertake the aforesaid repair work of street lights, based on the assurance from the Hon'ble Mayor that, the deposit work amount will be remitted on clearance of Treasury bills.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 3rd above .Having examined the matter in detail and considering the representation of the Mayor, Kozhikode Municipal Corporation, the public safety and the social commitment in arresting anti social activities, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 07.05.2020 resolved to authorize the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode to undertake the most urgent street light works under Electrical Section, Kozhikode, based on an undertaking from the Mayor, Kozhikode Municipal Corporation stating that, the deposit work amount will be remitted at the earliest, as possible.

Further resolved to authorize the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode to take necessary follow up action on the subject matter and ensure remittance of the deposit work amount by Kozhikode Municipal Corporation, at the earliest, as possible.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

Sd/-

Lekha G.
Company Secretary In Charge

To

The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle, Kozhikode

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Assistant Engineer