



## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

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### ABSTRACT

Deferring of payment of fixed charge to the Industrial and Commercial consumers for the month of March, April and May- 2020- ratification of office order issued on 27.04.2020 —orders issued

### CORPORATE OFFICE (Planning)

B.O. (FTD) No.320 /2020 (KSEB/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic – Tariff Concession/2020-21) dated, TvpM 11.05.2020

- Read: 1. Letter No. 811/2020/PS/CM dated 20.04.2020 of Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Kerala.
2. Letter No. KSEBL/TRAC/R1/FC-Exemption dated 21.04.2020 addressed to the Secretary, Power Department, Govt. of Kerala.
3. Note No. KSEBL/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic – Tariff Concession/2020-21 dated 23.04.2020 of Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer.
4. Office Order (DF) No.675 /2020 (KSEB/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic –Tariff Concession / 2020-21) dated. 27.04.2020
5. Note No.KSEB/TRAC-D/Covid Pandemic-Tariff Concession/2020-21 dated 04.05.2020 ( Agenda 12/5/2020)

### ORDER

The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Kerala as per letter read (1) above has requested to furnish a report on the matter of granting exemption in fixed charge to MSME units for the month of March, April, May-2020.

While the matter was being discussed, Hon,ble Minister for Industries conducted a meeting on 21.04.2020, in the presence of Hon'ble Minister for Finance as well as Electricity and took the following decisions.

- Fixed charges for the months of March, April, May-2020 in respect of the Industrial as well as Commercial consumers (LT,HT& EHT ) will be deferred for six months.
- Interest of such deferred payment will be revised at 12% against the present rate of 18% and the Government will direct KSERC as per section 108 of the Electricity Act 2003 to take necessary action in this regard.
- A decision on exemption of fixed charge, as requested, can be considered later, in case a favourable decision of Government of India on providing exemption on payment of fixed charges to various generating companies is received.

KSEBL as per letter read (2) above submitted a detailed report to the Govt. regarding it's financial commitment in providing fixed charge exemption to various categories of consumers and it's fixed charge commitment to Central Generating Stations on account of purchase of power to the State.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Kerala in his press conference held on 21.04.2020 has announced the exemptions as decided in the meeting conducted by Hon'ble Minister for Industries on 21.04.2020 in the presence of Hon'ble Ministers for Finance as well as Electricity.

The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer as per note read (3) above has placed the above matter before the Full Time Directors for approval and informed that as Government has announced its decision, it is desirable to implement immediately without waiting for the necessary formalities for revision of Schedule-I of Kerala Electricity Supply Code, 2014 by KSERC. The Deputy Chief Engineer has also pointed out that suitable modifications are to be effected in the billing software to enable the passing of above exemption to the eligible consumers, in anticipation of favorable orders from KSERC.

The matter was further discussed in the meeting convened by the Chairman and Managing Director in the presence of Director (Distribution, IT& HRM) and it was decided that the deferment of fixed charge can be provided up to 15.12.2020 to reduce the complexity in software modification.

Considering the urgency the Director (Finance) has accorded sanction to authorize Chief Engineer (IT&CR) to make necessary modification in the billing software for LT consumers and for HT &EHT consumers to provide option to the Industrial and Commercial Consumers for the deferred payment of fixed charges for the months of March, April, May- 2020 up to 15.12.2020 by levying an interest rate of 12% on deferred fixed charges till 15.12.2020, subject to ratification by the Full Time Directors. Accordingly, Office order has been issued as per order read (4) above to this effect.

The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer as per note read as (5) above has placed the Office Order before the Full Time Directors and requested to ratify the action of issuing the same for implementing the deferred payment of fixed charge of industrial and Commercial Consumers as per the direction of Government.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 07.05.2020, resolved to ratify the action of issuing the Office Order read (4) above to authorize Chief Engineer (IT&CR) to make necessary modification in the billing software for LT consumers and for HT &EHT consumers to provide option to the Industrial and Commercial Consumers for the deferred payment of fixed charges for the months of March, April and May- 2020 up to 15.12.2020 by levying an interest rate of 12% on deferred fixed charges till 15.12.2020.

Orders are issued accordingly

By Order of Full Time Directors

Sd/-

Lekha.G

Company Secretary -in -charge •


To

Chief Engineer (IT & CR),  
Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full Powers of Chief Engineer  
Special Officer (Revenue)

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All Chief Engineers (Electrical) & (Civil)  
Legal Advisor & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer  
The Financial Advisor  
Chief Internal Auditor  
Deputy Chief Engineer (TRAC)  
All Deputy Chief Engineers (Ele) Circles  
TA to (Chairman & Managing Director), TA to Director (Distribution, IT&HRM)/ Director  
(Trans., System Operation & Safety)/ Director (Generation (Electrical) & SCM)/  
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Assistant Executive Engineer