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## ABSTRACT

Establishment of reliable communication facilities in remote places – Requirement of satellite phone for Moozhiyar Power House – Proposal submitted by M/s. BSNL – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

## **CORPORATE OFFICE (IT)**

B.O. (FTD) No. 293/2020(IT/Proj/Sat Phone/BSNL/2020-21/) Thiruvananthapuram, dated 25.04.2020

Read: 1. B.O. (FTD) No. 1816/2018(IT/CU/Calamity/2018-19/), dated 01.10.2018.

- 2. B.O. (FTD) No. 44/2019(IT/CU/Calamity/2018-19/), dated 21.01.2019.
- 3. Letter No. D (GE)/G1/SHEP/Sat phone/2019-20/379 dated 04.03.2020 of the Director (GE & SCM).
- 4. E-mail dated 03.04.2020 of Assistant General Manager (EB), BSNL, Kerala.
- 5. Note no. IT/Proj/Sat Phone/BSNL/2020-21/04 dated 08.04.2020 of the Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda No. 35/4/20).

## ORDER

During natural calamities, failure of communication facilities were one of major concerns while coordinating various operations across KSEBL infrastructure facilities such as dams located at remote places. Sanction was accorded as per B.O. read as 1<sup>st</sup> above for the procurement of 18 numbers of satellite mobile phones from M/s. BSNL with an initial cost of Rs. 20,08,818/- and at an annual charge of Rs. 4,90,158/- from 2<sup>nd</sup> year onwards towards providing reliable communication facilities at remote dam locations at Kakki, Pamba, Anathode etc.

The Director (GE & SCM) had reported as per letter read above that Sabarigiri HEP is located at a remote place and the communication facilities provided by M/s. BSNL are very poor and unreliable. For critical and interruption free generation at Sabarigiri HEP, reliable communication facility is necessary, which can be achieved through the satellite phone.

Based on the discussion with M/s. BSNL, Satellite phone was proposed as per 4th paper above with the plan details as below, towards establishing reliable communication infrastructure at Moozhiyar Power House of Sabarigiri HEP:

Particulars	First year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year on wards
Cost of Single hand set with GST 18%	82,600	
Annual spectrum charges per connection with GST (18%)	16,520	16,520
Annual License fee per connection with GST (18%)	295	295
Registration charge per connection with GST (18%)	1,180	एक) से जा कर का
SIM activation charges per connection with GST (18%)	590	
Annual prepaid charges per connection with GST (18%)	12,981	12,981
Total charges per annum per hand set	1,14,166	29,796

The above prepaid plan includes free calls worth Rs. 3,960/- per annum. The call charges (within India) for a 60 second outgoing or incoming call to/from any existing mobile/landline costs Rs. 25/- and the SMS costs Rs. 25/-. Hence, around 160 minutes of annual talk time is available with the plan. Beyond this free call limit, top-up coupons can be used to recharge.

M/s. BSNL being the only service provider authorized by Government of India to provide satellite phone services in India, as per B.O. read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above, M/s. BSNL was exempted from executing Contract Agreement and submission of Performance Bank Guarantee along with release of 100% payment in advance towards the procurement of 18 satellite phones.

In view of the above, the Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs) has recommended as per note read above to procure satellite mobile phone from M/s. BSNL with an initial cost of Rs. 1,14,166/- and at an annual charge of Rs. 29,796/- from 2<sup>nd</sup> year onwards towards providing reliable communication facilities at Moozhiyar Power House of Sabarigiri HEP.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 23.04.2020 resolved to accord sanction for the following:

- 1. To procure one satellite mobile phone from M/s. BSNL towards providing reliable communication facilities at Moozhiyar Power House.
- 2. To authorize Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs) to procure the satellite mobile phone from M/s. BSNL.
- 3. To authorize the Financial Advisor to make necessary arrangements for the initial payment for 1<sup>st</sup> year through the Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs).
- 4. To release the recurring charges from 2<sup>nd</sup> year onwards through the Communication Division, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 5. To exempt M/s. BSNL from executing Contract Agreement and submission of Performance Bank Guarantee towards the procurement of one satellite mobile phone along with release of 100% payment in advance.

Orders are issued accordingly.

## By Order of the Full Time Directors

Sd/-

Lekha G. Company Secretary (I/C)

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The Chief Engineer (IT, CR & CAPs) The Chief Engineer (Generation & PED) The Financial Advisor The Deputy Chief Engineer (SOC), Thiruvananthapuram

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Assistant Executive Engineer