

**Kerala State Electricity Board Limited**

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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**ABSTRACT**

Covid-19 pandemic– cable drawal along electric poles of KSEBL- pole rental of Cable TV Operators- granting of time period extension for payment of pole rental for the first quarter of financial year 2020-21- ratified- Orders issued.

**CORPORATE OFFICE (SBU-D)****B.O(FTD)No.287/2020(D(D&IT)/D5/Cable-Poles/2020-21/0001) Dated,Thiruvananthapuram 22.04.2020****Read:**

1. B.O.(FTD) No.2456/2014(LAII/Asianet/PLP 6639/13 dated 19.09.2014
2. B.O.(FTD) No.2251/2017(D(D&IT)/D5/Asianet-2/2011) dated 31.08.2017
3. Representation dated 01.04.2020 of Sri. K.V. Rajan, General Secretary, Cable TV Operators Association, Kerala State Committee to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala (e-petition no.1349/2020)
4. Note No. D(D&IT)/D5/Cable-Poles/2020-21 dated 13.04.2020 of the Director(Distribution, IT & HRM) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda Item no.26/4/20)

**ORDER**

The General Secretary, Cable TV Operators Association Kerala State Committee has submitted a representation read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above, to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala requesting action for waiving pole rentals for atleast 3 months for the current financial year, considering the financial crisis being faced by the Cable TV Operators, as they could not collect the monthly subscription fees for the month of March, from their customers under the prevailing circumstances. During the press meet convened by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala in connection with the epidemic Covid-19 also, the aforesaid apprehension of the Cable TV Operators regarding payment of pole rentals to KSEBL was raised. The Chief Minister has ensured to resolve the problem after consulting with KSEBL.

As per the Board Order read as 1<sup>st</sup> above, annual pole rental for a particular financial year need to be paid by the Cable TV Operators in advance, on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March of every financial year. Later, considering the request of the Cable TV Operators, quarterly payment facility was granted as per B.O. read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above, to the Cable TV Operators, such that the annual pole rental shall be paid in advance, in 4 equal installments (the first installment to be paid on or before 31<sup>st</sup>

March). However, considering the difficulties presently being faced by the Cable TV Operators due to the fast spreading epidemic Covid-19, the Chairman & Managing Director decided to grant time extension to the Cable TV Operators for payment of 1<sup>st</sup> installment of advance annual pole rentals for financial year 2020-21, till 30.06.2020, without levying interest for such belated payments.

The matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 4<sup>th</sup> above. Having examined the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 16.04.2020 resolved to ratify the decision of the Chairman & Managing Director in having granted time extension to Cable TV Operators for payment of advance pole rentals for the first quarter ( April 2020 to June 2020) of financial year 2020-21 till 30.06.2020, without levying interest, considering the difficulties presently being faced by the Cable TV Operators in collecting their monthly subscription fees from their consumers during the lock down period.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

Sd/-

**Lekha G.**  
**Company Secretary In Charge**

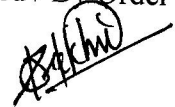
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2. All Deputy Chief Engineers, Electrical Circles under South/Central/North/North Malabar Regions

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