

## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956), CIN:U40100KL2011SGC027424

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## **ABSTRACT**

Concession to be provided for free supply of electricity on life supporting system - replacing the stamp paper undertaking with a white paper undertaking – sanctioned – orders issued

## **CORPORATE OFFICE (Commercial & Tariff)**

B.O. (FTD) No. 745/2022 (TRAC/GL/GEN-09/LSS- Medical Practitioner) dated, Tvpm 01.09.2022

Read: 1. B.O.(FM)(Genl)No.1929/2012(Comml-II/Life Support/12-13) dated 18.10.2012.

- 2. G.O (Rt) No. 39/2013/PD dated 08.02.2013.
- 3. G.O (Rt) No. 50/2014/PD dated 13.02.2014.
- 4. B.O.(FTD) No.606/2014(Comml-II/AEE3/Life Support/2013-14) dated 05.03.2014.
- 5. B.O.(FTD) No.1748/2014(Comml-II/AEE3/Life Support/2014-15) dated 26.06.2014.
- 6. Minutes of the CMD review meeting dated 21.12.2021
- 7. Note No. TRAC/GL/GEN-09/LSS-Medical Practitioner/21-22 dated 16.08.2022 of the Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) (Agenda No. 69/8/22)

## **ORDER**

Sanction was accorded as per B.O read as 1<sup>st</sup> above for providing free supply of electricity for patients surviving on the basis of life support systems, subject to certain conditions. The maximum concession allowed was 100 units per month. Later as per G.O read as 3<sup>rd</sup> above, the concession was extended to the entire electricity consumption of the Life supporting equipment. It was mentioned that the appropriate certification by the Government Medical Practitioner shall be obtained for providing the above concession. Accordingly, B.O read as 4<sup>th</sup> above, was issued insisting for the certificate of Government Medical Practitioner instead of a certified Medical Practitioner for availing the above concession. Thereafter, B.O read as 5<sup>th</sup> above was issued extending the concession on life supporting equipment for the entire electricity consumption, in compliance with the above Government Order.

However, several requests were received from the consumers for considering the certificate issued by the competent doctor instead of insisting for the Government Medical Practitioner for availing the above concession. Further, in the CMD's review meeting held on 22.12.2021, the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, called for due consideration to dialysis patients, and patients on life support machines in the matter of waiver of current charges and directed that the prerequisite of an undertaking in stamp paper to be signed by the patient and a certificate from a Government Doctor to avail the existing concessions, be revisited. In compliance to the above, the Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) as per the note read as 7<sup>th</sup> above had placed the matter before the Full Time Directors.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 25.08.2022 resolved to continue with the decision of providing concession to the life supporting equipments current charge based on the certification of the Government Medical Practitioner.

Further resolved that the stamp paper undertaking insisted for providing the concession on life supporting system shall be replaced with a white paper undertaking.

Orders are issued accordingly

By Order of Full Time Directors

Sd/-Lekha G. Company Secretary I/c

To

Chief Engineer (IT &CR)
Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff)
Chief Engineer Distribution (North/ North Malabar/Central/ South)

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The Financial Advisor/ Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial &TRAC)/ The Chief Internal Auditor/ TA to (CMD)/ PA to Director (Finance & HRM)/ TA to Director (Distribution, SCM & IT)/ TA to Director(GC)/ TA to Director(T, SO, Planning & Safety)/TA to Director(GE)/ TA to Director(R,S,S&W)/ The Special Officer Revenue/ CA to Company Secretary/ Sr.CA to Secretary (Administration)/ CA to IGP (CVO, KSEBL)/ Chief PRO/ FCS/ Library.

Forwarded by Order

Assistant Executive Engineer