
Before the
Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission
For the State of Goa and Union Territories, Gurugram

QUORUM

Sh. M. K. Goel (Chairperson)

Smt. Neerja Mathur (Member)

Petition No. 274/2019

In the matter of

Approval of True up of FY 2015-16 & Aggregate Revenue Requirement for 2nd MYT Control Period (FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22) & Determination of Retail Supply Tariff for the FY 2019-20.

And in the matter of

Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration (EDA&N) Petitioner

ORDER

Dated: 20th May 2019

- 1) This order is passed in respect of the Petition filed by the Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration (herein after referred as the Petitioner or EDA&N) for approval of True up of FY 2015-16 and Aggregate Revenue Requirement for the 2nd MYT Control Period (FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22) & Retail Supply Tariff for the FY 2019-20.
- 2) On receipt of the Petition, the Commission scrutinised its contents and requisitioned further information/clarifications on the data gaps observed in the Petition to take a prudent view of the Petition. The Commission also held a Technical Validation Session to determine sufficiency of data and the veracity of the information submitted. Further, suggestions/comments/objections were invited from the public/stakeholders. A Public Hearing was also held and the stakeholders/Public were heard.
- 3) The tariff, as detailed in the Chapter "Tariff Schedule" and other provisions as approved in this Order shall come into force from 1st June, 2019 and shall remain valid till further Orders of the Commission.
- 4) The licensee shall publish the revised Tariff Schedule and the salient features of tariff within one week of receipt of the Order in three daily newspapers in the respective local languages of the region, besides English, having wide circulation in their respective areas of supply. The Commission also directs the Licensee to upload the Tariff Order on its website.

- 5) The Commission based on the Petitioner's submission, relevant MYT Regulations, facts of the matter and after proper due diligence has approved the True-up of FY 2015-16 and ARR for the 2nd MYT Control Period along with the retail supply tariff for FY 2019-20.

A Summary of the order is as follows:

- i) The following table provides ARR, Revenue and gap as submitted by the Petitioner and approved by the Commission for the True-up of FY 2015-16

Table 1: Revenue Gap / (Surplus) approved for FY 2015-16 (INR Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	FY 2015-16	
		Claimed	Approved
1	Net Revenue Requirement	586.07	578.05
2	Revenue from sale of power at Existing Tariff	119.81	120.03
3	Net Gap during the year	466.27	458.02
4	Add: Previous Year Gap	0.00	0.00
5	Total Gap	466.27	458.02

The above gap is met through budgetary support , therefore the gap is not carried forward for the future years.

- ii) The following table provides the cumulative revenue gap/ (surplus) at approved tariff by the end of FY 2019-20:

Table 2: Revenue Gap / (Surplus) approved for FY 2019-20 (INR Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	FY 2019-20	
		Claimed	Approved
1	Net Revenue Requirement	930.13	747.85
2	Revenue from sale of power at Existing Tariff	185.12	185.11
2	Increase/(decrease) in revenue from sale of power at Approved Tariff	0.00	18.22
3	Net Gap during the year	745.01	544.52
4	Add: Previous Year Gap	0.00	0.00
5	Total Gap	745.01	544.52

- 6) In order to meet the entire gap of INR 544.52 Crore through tariff, an average tariff hike from INR 6.27/unit to INR 25.35/unit would be required. However, keeping in view the socio-economic constraints of consumers residing in the licensee area and the budgetary support by the Government to the extent of to meet the gap, a nominal increase in tariff from the existing level of INR 6.27 / unit to INR 6.89/ unit is approved by the Commission.
- 7) The Commission has introduced a new category of Life line Connection for the domestic consumers having consumption upto 50 units in order to provide benefit of lower tariffs to the weaker section of the society. The tariff for this lifeline category will be applicable only for the consumers consuming upto 50 units per month. For consumers having consumption higher than 50 units per month, the tariff as specified for Domestic Connection shall be applicable.

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- 8) The Commission believes that the demand for charging infrastructure for electric vehicles will increase in the near future due to increased commercialization. Furthermore, the Commission is of the opinion that to impart the necessary impetus for the adoption of E-Vehicles in the Territory a sustainable framework has to be developed and having a designated electricity tariff is the first step towards achieving it. Therefore, keeping in view the anticipated demand and need, the Commission introduces a new category namely Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for consumers setting up infrastructure for charging of Electric vehicles/ Electric rickshaws etc. and has fixed the tariff as per the guidelines of Ministry of Power, Govt. of India.
 - 9) The Commission has also introduced the two part tariff comprising of Fixed Charges and Energy Charges and abolished the minimum charges for all the consumer categories.
 - 10) The Commission has increased the average tariff for FY 2019-20 by 9.84% from the existing tariff of FY 2018-19.
 - 11) The Petitioner is directed to ensure applicability of tariff of Commercial category to all the hotel establishment, failing which, the Commission may take an appropriate view considering the non-compliance of Commission's direction.
 - 12) Ordered as above, read with attached document giving detailed reasons, grounds and conditions.

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(Neerja Mathur)
Member

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(M. K. Goel)
Chairperson

Place: Gurugram
Date: 20th May, 2019