## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

## **THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

Petition No: OP 56/2022

Present : Sri.T.K.Jose, Chairman

Adv. A. J. Wilson, Member Sri. B. Pradeep, Member

In the matter of : Petition filed by M/s Thrissur Corporation Electricity

Department Kerala for approval of ARR & ERC for the

Control Period 2022-23 to 2026-27

Petitioner : M/s Thrissur Corporation Electricity Department

Represented by : Sri.Krishnakumar, Asst.Secretary

Sri. T.S Jose, Electrical Engineer Sri. Muhamed Munaz, Consultant

Respondent : M/s Kerala State Electricity Board Limited

Represented by : Sri. Ajith Kumar K.N, Executive Engineer, KSEB Ltd

Sri. Shine Raj, Assistant Engineer, KSEB Ltd

Second Hearing: : 05.10.2023 at the Court Hall,

Office of the Commission

## Daily Order Dated 12.10.2023

- 1. M/s Thrissur Corporation Electricity Department under Thrissur Municipal Corporation is a deemed distribution licensee under the Electricity Act, 2003 having an operational history since August 1937, when the generation & distribution business of Cochin State Power & Light Corporation Ltd was purchased by the then Thrissur Municipality. The current license area of the TCED corresponds to the administrative limits of the old Thrissur Municipality limits covering an area of approximately 12.65 sq.km.
- 2. The licensee had filed the present petition for the approval of ARR & ERC for the Control Period 2022-23 to 2026-27 and the public hearing on the petition was conducted on 03-03-2023 at the Conference Hall of PWD Rest House, Thrissur. After hearing the Commission sought clarifications on the petition and viewed that the business plan of the licensee is not proper and noted that the estimations are not realistic. The

Commission vide Daily Order dated 17.03.2023 directed that the Electricity Department to submit revised petition in line with the projected capital investments after proper discussion. The licensee has submitted the revised projections and the Commission conducted the second hearing on the revised petition on 05.10.2023 at the Court Hall, Office of the Commission.

- The licensee was represented by Sri.Krishnakumar, Asst.Secretary, Sri. T.S Jose, Electrical Engineer, Sri. Muhamed Munaz, Consultant and other officers of the licensee. Sri. Ajith Kumar K.N, Executive Engineer, TRAC and Sri. Shine Raj, Assistant Engineer, TRAC represented KSEB Ltd.
- 4. Sri. T.S Jose presented the petition before the Commission and replied the queries of the Commission. Commission took serious note on the fact that the revised petition submitted before the Commission was a half-hearted attempt to comply with the direction of the Commission. Commission directed the licensee to submit the details, properly explaining the methodology/reasoning for the projections under each head after duly consider the actuals for the financial year 2022-23. The Electricity Department and the Consultants engaged in the preparation of the petition shall sit together and after proper discussion submit revised petition in line with the projected capital investments and the projections for the control period shall capture the benefits expected of the proposed capital investments.
- 5. The Commission directed TCED to revise petitions with all proper details to substantiate their projections in the petition and submit the clarifications on the petition on or before 06.11.2023. In case submission of details are not made within the date stipulated, the Commission shall presume that the licensee has no further submissions to make and the Order shall be finalized accordingly.

Sd/-Sri. B. Pradeep Member Sd/-Adv. A. J. Wilson Member Sd/-Sri. T.K Jose Chairman

Approved for issue
Sd/C.R.Satheesh Chandran
Secretary