BEFORE THE HON'BLE KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Petition No

In the Matter of

: Seeking approval for extending the OTS-2019 scheme

upto 31.12.2020.

Applicant

: Kerala State Electricity Board Limited,

Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom,

Thiruvananthapuram

AFFIDAVIT VERIFYING THE APPLICATION

I, B.Pradeep, son of P.Balachandran aged 55 years, residing at Vipanchika, Anayara P.O., Thiruvananthapuram do solemnly affirm and state as follows:

I am the **Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer** of the Kerala State Electricity Board Limited, Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram, and the **petitioner** in the above matter and I am duly authorized by the Board to make this affidavit on its behalf. I solemnly affirm at Thiruvananthapuram on this the 6th July, **2020 that**

- (i) Contents of the above petition are true to my information, knowledge and belief. I believe that no part of it is false and no material has been concealed there from.
- (ii) That the statements made in paragraphs of the accompanying application now shown to me are true to my knowledge and are derived from the official records made available to me and are based on information and advice received which I believe to be true and correct.

Deponent

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Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning)
with full powers of Chief Engineer Kerala
State Electricity Board Limited,
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VERIFICATION

I, the above named deponent, solemnly affirm at Thiruvananthapuram on this the 6th July, **2020** that the contents of the affidavit are true to my information, knowledge and belief, that no part of it is false and that no material has been concealed there from.

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at its office, KPFC Bhavan, Vellayambalam, Thiruvananthapuram

In the Matter of

: Seeking approval for extending the OTS-2019 upto 31.12.2020.

Applicant

: Kerala State Electricity Board Limited,

Vydyuthi Bhavanam,

Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram.

THE APPLICANT SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING THAT:

1. Hon. Commission as per the order dated 17.09.2019 in Petition No. OP 52/19 has given approval for One Time Settlement Scheme (OTS-2019) for the period from 01.10.2019 to 31.01.2020. Later the scheme was extended upto 29.02.2020 as per order dated 22.11.2019 of the Hon. Commission.

- 2. In compliance to the above, Board Order has been issued implementing the OTS-2019 scheme for the period from 01.11.2019 to 29.02.2020. As per the above scheme the last date for submitting application was on 01.02.2020 and the last date to issue of demand notice and remittance of first installment by the consumer is 29.02.2020.
- 3. IMeanwhile, the Board has accorded sanction for conducting Vydyuthi Adalaths at Revenue District level for redressing the complaints of public in connection with the electricity sector from 11.01.2020 to 27.02.2020. The Adalath were conducted under the patronage of the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity. Large number of complaints has been received for consideration in the Adalath. Since, the application under Vydyuthi Adalath has been received till 27.02.2020, KSEBL has requested before the Hon'ble Commission on 23.03.2020 for extending the OTS scheme for application received under Vydyuthi Adalath, 2020. The above request which is still under the consideration of the Hon'ble Commission is attached as Exhibit P1.
- 4. Now, in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic, several requests has been received from consumers that they could not remit the settled amount in OTS-2019 within the stipulated time and had requested for giving extension for payment. Further, many new request has also been received from Govt. Institutions, Public Sector Undertaking, sick industries etc for settling their arrears under OTS scheme. Hence, in order to mitigate the hardships faced by the consumer during the Covid-19 pandemic, it is requested that the OTS-2019 scheme may be allowed to be extended upto 31.12.2020.

5. Prayer

The Hon'ble Commission may kindly accord sanction for extending the OTS-2019 scheme upto 31.12.2020 for considering fresh application and also for settling any defaulters in the earlier settled application freshly, applying the same terms and conditions of the OTS-2019 scheme.

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at its office, KPFC Bhavan, Vellayambalam, Thiruvananthapuram

In the Matter of

: Seeking approval for extending the OTS-2019 scheme for the

applications submitted in the Vydyuthi Adalath, 2020.

Applicant

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- 3. Meanwhile, the Board has accorded sanction for conducting Vydyuthi Adalaths at Revenue District level for redressing the complaints of public in connection with the electricity sector from 11.01.2020 to 27.02.2020. The Adalath were conducted under the patronage of the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity. Large number of complaints has been received for consideration in the Adalath. The complaints received in Adalath upto 01.02.2020 for reduction in the interest rates on the arrear amount has been considered under the OTS scheme. The complaints received after 01.02.2020 will not become eligible to be considered under the OTS scheme. Since Adalath was conducted upto 27.02.2020, application were received on the Adalath date also. Hence, in order to have a uniform approach on all the applications submitted in the Adalath, the applications submitted for relaxation in interest rates after 01.02.2020 was also settled in terms of the OTS-2019 scheme, on anticipation of getting it approved from the Hon'ble Commission.
- 4. It may please be noted that, the Vydyuthi Adalaths has been conducted throughout the State with the aim of redressing the complaints of the public in a time bound manner. Considering the essence of conducting the Vyduthi Adalath, it is requested that the applications received in Vydyuthi Adalath which was settled in terms of the OTS-2019 scheme may be ratified.

5. Prayer

The Hon'ble Commission may kindly ratify the action of KSEBL in settling the eligible applications received under the Vydyuthi Adalath,2020 (held from 11.01.2020 to 27.02.2020), in terms of the OTS-2019 scheme.

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