

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY  
COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of** : **Petition seeking approval for 320KV HVDC  
Pugalur- Thrissur line Compensation package**

**Petitioner** : **Kerala State Electricity Board Ltd,**  
Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom,  
Thiruvananthapuram

**THE PETITIOER MOST HUMBLY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING**

1. Kerala State Electricity Board Limited (KSEBL) files the instant petition seeking approval for the compensation package connected with the drawing of 320KV HVDC Pugalur-Thrissur line in the State of Kerala.

**Brief background :**

2. The 320KV High Voltage DC link between Pugalur and Thrissur, constructed by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited as part of the Raigarh- Pugalur 6000 MW HVDC project, facilitates drawal of 2000MW power by Kerala from the national grid. The OH line of 320 kV HVDC link between Pugalur in Tamil Nadu and Thrissur in Kerala is crossing Kerala state in Palakkad district.
3. The link is a combination of overhead line from Pugalur to Vadakkanchery (around 140km, out of which Kerala portion is 63.7 km) and UG Cable (27.3 km) from Vadakkanchery to Thrissur.
4. The disbursal of compensation for the line (Kerala portion) is in accordance with the Special compensation package announced by the Govt. of Kerala vide GO's dated 04.05.2019 (Annexure-1) and 19.07.2019 (Annexure-2).
5. The payment conditions under the package are as below:-
  - 1) Compensation for the tower standing area will be 100% of 5 times the fair value of land. 85% of the aforesaid amount shall be paid by PGCIL and the rest by KSEBL/GoK.
  - 2) If there is only a nominal portion of land left after acquisition of land for tower

construction, the same compensation as that of tower foundation would be given for that nominal area of land being acquired. The compensation amount will be met by KSEBL/GoK.

- 3) Ex-gratia payment is given for the 14m width of land covered by the electric line tip to tip. Ex-gratia payment is fixed at 40% of the fair value of the land directly coming under the electric line tip to tip, fixed by the District Collector.
  - 4) Displacement allowance in proportion to the degree of usability lost shall be given taking the area of land as 14m wide which comes directly under the electric line drawn tip to tip.
  - 5) The displacement allowance and ex-gratia payment together shall not exceed 5 times the fair value of the land as fixed by the District Collector. The sum of the exgratia payment and displacement allowance will be given in the proportion 15:25 by PGCIL and KSEBL/GoK.
  - 6) The compensation of trees/crops in the 44m corridor which have to be cut will be paid by PGCIL.
  - 7) In the event of line passing vertically above any house a special compensation of Rs. 1 lakh will be given and in case of partial or full demolition of any houses the amount assessed by PWD would be given. The expenditure will be met by KSEBL/GoK.
6. The approximate compensation amount assessed initially was Rs. 45 cr (PGCIL share - Rs. 17.26 cr and KSEBL/GoK share - Rs. 27.74 cr.).

Item	Total Amount (Rs.Cr.)	PGCIL Share		KSEBL/GoK Share	
Tower standing area	0.87	85%	0.74 Cr	15%	0.13 Cr
Line Corridor (40%) including displacement allowance	44.06	15/40	16.52 Cr	25/40	27.54 Cr
Nominal land	0.07				0.07
Total (Rs.Cr.)	45.00		17.26		27.74

7. The Govt. of Kerala as per G.O. dated 18-5-2021 (**Annexure-3**) clarified that sharing of compensation by KSEBL & GoK will be 50:50.
8. KSEBL remitted its first share of compensation of Rs. 6,02,638/- towards Tower Standing Area (TSA) in 2021-22, based on the request made by the Special Thahsildar, LA unit, Palakkad. This included the GoK share of Rs. 3,01,319/- also. GoK was requested to reimburse the amount of Rs.3,01,319/- to KSEBL, which is not yet done.
9. Since then, KSEBL has been remitting its share of compensation (TSA and line corridor) only to the LA unit, Palakkad, based on the DVS approved by the District Collector, Palakkad and forwarded by the Special Thahsildar, LA unit, Palakkad. GoK has been requested to transfer its share directly to the LA unit, Palakkad.
10. The year wise details of the remittance made so far by KSEBL is given below:-

Sl.No.	Particulars	Amount transferred by KSEBL (Rs.)	Date of transfer
<b>2021-22</b>			
1	Compensation towards Tower Standing Area (TSA)	6,02,638 (Share of KSEBL + GoK)	28-9-2021
2	Compensation towards Tower Standing Area & Line Corridor	2,49,83,467 (Share of KSEBL alone)	10-3-2022
<b>Total amount transferred 2021-22</b>		<b>Rs. 2,55,86,105/-</b>	
<b>2022-23</b>			
3	Compensation towards line corridor	1,20,35,728 (Share of KSEBL alone)	18-7-2022
4	Compensation towards line corridor	1,80,45,560 (Share of KSEBL alone)	28-11-2022
5	Compensation towards line corridor	1,82,67,927 (Share of KSEBL alone)	23-2-2023
<b>Total amount transferred in 2022-23</b>		<b>Rs.4,83,49,215/-</b>	

11. An amount of Rs.7,39,35,320/- has been remitted by KSEBL towards the compensation till now, out of which Rs.3,01,319/- is to be remitted by GoK (being GoK share remitted by KSEBL).

12. KSEBL humbly request Hon'ble Commission's approval for making payment towards Compensation for constructing the Pugalur-Thrissur line as per the Special Compensation package ordered by Government of Kerala.

**Prayer**

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**Deputy Chief Engineer (TRAC)**