

## TELANGANA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sy. No. 145 – P, Vidyut Niyantran Bhavan, Kalyan Nagar, G. T. S Colony, Hyderabad – 500045

O. P. Nos. 31 and 32 of 2024

Dated: 28.03.2025

## Present

Sri Dr. Justice Devaraju Nagarjun, Chairman

## Between:

- 1. Southern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Ltd.,
- 6-<mark>1-</mark>50, Mint Compound, Hyderabad, Telangana 500063
- 2. Northern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Ltd.,
- H. No. 2-5-31 / 2, Corporate Office, Vidyut Bhavan,

Nakkalgutta, Warangal – 506001

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AND

-Nil- .... Respondent.

The petitions having been filed on 13.12.2024 and having stood over for consideration to this day, the Commission passed the following interim order:

## INTERIM ORDER

The distribution companies of Telangana (TGDISCOMS) being Southern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Limited (TGSPDCL) and Northern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Limited (TGNPDCL) (petitioners) have filed the above-named petition under section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 2003) seeking determination of revised aggregate revenue requirement for distribution business for FY 2025 – FY 2026 read with Regulation No. 2 of 2023.

2. The petitioners have sought the following prayer in the petition:

- a) Take the accompanying ARR and wheeling tariff application of TGDISCOMs on record for distribution business and treat it as complete;
- b) Grant suitable opportunity to TGDISCOMs within a reasonable time frame to file additional material information that may be subsequently available;
- c) Consider and approve TGDISCOMs ARR and tariff application including all requested regulatory treatments in the filing.
- d) Pass such order as the Commission may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.
- 3. The Commission has notified the Multi Year Tariff Regulation in Regulation No. 2 of 2023 providing for determination of tariff in respect of generation, transmission, SLDC activity, wheeling and retail supply. Accordingly, TGDISCOMs has filed revised aggregate revenue requirement for distribution business and tariff proposals which was taken on record by the Commission in the above said O. P. The said petitions have been taken up for consideration and the public consultation process including hearing had been undertaken vide public notice dated 11.01.2025 and that public hearing was also completed on 17.02.2025. The order in the above mentioned petition is required to be passed on or before 31.03.2025, which will come into affect from 01.04.2025.
- 4. As the Commission was in the process of passing the order in the above said OP, model code of conduct in respect of biennial election to the Telangana Legislative Council from Hyderabad local authorities' constituency, came into force with effect from 24.03.2025 on account of issuance of schedule by Election Commission of India (ECI).
- 5. However, in view of the imposition of model code of conduct on account of election to the Telangana Legislative Council, the Commission is unable to pass the orders on or before 31.03.2025. The Commission has addressed a letter dated 27.03.2025 to Election Commission of India through the state screening committee seeking permission of Election Commission of India to permit the Commission to pass the order in the above said petition.

- 6. The aggregate revenue requirement for distribution business and tariff proposals as determined for FY 2024 2025 as part of 5<sup>th</sup> control period FY 2024 FY 2025 to FY 2028 FY 2029 will cease to be effective after 31.03.2025. In order to avoid vacuum of wheeling tariff, there is a necessary to extend the subsisting tariff for distribution activity to be levied and collected by the TGDISCOMs in the state of Telangana, from 01.04.2025 until the orders are passed after receiving permission of the ECI or cessation of model code of conduct whichever is earlier.
- 7. Keeping in view the above situation, the Commission in exercise of powers conferred under section 94 (2) of the Act, 2003 read with section 28 of the Telangana Electricity Reform Act, 1998, hereby passes interim order extending the tariff for distribution activity as determined by order dated 28.10.2024 in O. P. No. 12 and 13 of 2024 to be applicable from 01.04.2025.
- 8. The above extension will be in force from 01.04.2025 till a fresh order is passed by the Commission.

This order is corrected and signed on this the 28th day of March, 2025.

(Dr. JUSTICE DEVARAJ<mark>U</mark> NAGARJU<mark>N)</mark> CHAIRMAN

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