

TELANGANA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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

O. P. No. 30 of 2024

Dated: 28.03.2025

Present

Sri Dr. Justice Devaraju Nagarjun, Chairman

Between:

M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), Kothagudem Collieries, Bhadrdri Kothagudem District, Telangana -507101.

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AND

- Southern Power Distribution Company of Telangana Ltd.,
 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

.... Respondent.

The petition having been filed on 28.11.2024 and having stood over for consideration to this day, the Commission passed the following interim order:

INTERIM ORDER

M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) (petitioner) has filed the above-named petition under section 62 and 86 (1) (a) of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 2003) read with clause 6.2 of the Regulation No. 2 of 2023 with regard to annual tariff for FY 2025 – FY 2026 in respect of 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant and true up of FY 2023-24.

2. The petitioner has sought the following prayer in the petition:

- a. Consider the submission made by SCCL in this annual tariff petition for FY 2025-26 and the truing up of tariff / expenditure for the period FY 2023-24.
- b. Approve revised tariff for FY 2025-26 and allow to recover additional trued up expenditure for FY 2023-24 in respect of 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant.
- 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, SCCL has filed revised tariff for FY 2025-26 in respect of 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant and true up of FY 2023-24 which was taken on record by the Commission in the above said O. P. The said petition has been taken up for consideration and the public consultation process including hearing had been undertaken vide public notice dated 14.12.2024 and that public hearing was also completed on 21.01.2025. The order in the above-mentioned petition is required to be passed on or before 31.03.2025, which will come into effect 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 tariff for 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant as determined for FY 2024 2025 as part of 5^{th} 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 tariff for 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant, there is a necessary to extend the subsisting

tariff to be levied and collected by the SCCL from 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 2 x 600 MW Singareni Thermal Power Plant as determined by order dated 28.06.2024 in O. P. No. 4 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.

