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The Chairman

Telangana Electricity Regulatory Commission

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Hyderabad.

Respected Sir,

I wish to draw your kind attention to the Public Notice issued by the Telangana State Electricity Regulatory Commission (TSERC) calling for comments, objections and suggestions on the Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) entered between Chattisgarh State Power Distribution Company Ltd., (CSPDCL) and Telangana state distribution companies viz., TSSPDCL and TSNPDCL.

At the outset, I state that it is nothing but mockery to place the issue in public domain just by asking suggestion and comments online while you are mandated to conduct a public hearing while finalizing PPAs. The convention and the IEMBER (I) PEREQUIREMENT is to conduct a public enquiry and hearing after revealing the whole gamut of issues involved in the PPAs to have reasoned and considered feedback from the public. This attempt itself highlights the dubious effort of the TSERC to manipulate the process of public hearing.

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You are kindly aware that the PPAs were pushed as Government-to-Government contract while the fact remains that the real power supplier is a private power company whose cost of establishment had reportedly increased by more than Rs.2,000/ crores resulting in avoidable price escalation to the consumers in Telangana. Second, the grid is expected to be completed not earlier than in 2018

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and even then the quota allotted to Telangana will not be 1000MW. The Wardha-Maheswaram or even Angur-Palasa transmission lines are not in place and their dates of completion indeterminate till today.

The noteworthy assurance by the Chief Minister on the floor of Assembly in Nov,2014 is that the state is going to produce 20,000MW of power in three years. In this background, one would be shocked to know that an agreement is being entertained by the TSERC for 12 years and its commencement will be after these three years at an exorbitant price.

You might also be aware that some experts in the field have warned that the state will be forced to pay huge amounts, estimated to be Rs.1314/ crores, even when power was not purchased from CSPDCL due to the conditions incorporated in the PPAs. Even the T&D losses are to be borne by TSDISCOMs which was unheard in the industry practices all over the country.

In view of the above serious lapses, I demand that a public hearing be conducted inviting all political parties, consumer organizations and experts to deliberate the issue and come to a considered decision in the interest of the electricity consumers of the state.

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely

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