

TELANGANA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Telangana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensees' Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request) Draft Second Amendment Regulation, 2025

Preamble:

The erstwhile APERC has notified 'Licensee's Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request, Regulation No.4 of 2013 on 29.07.2013 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Principal Regulation') to supply electricity on request under Section 43 of the Electricity Act, 2003 and to recover expenses reasonably incurred under Section 46 of the Electricity Act, 2003 in providing electric line or electrical plant used for the purpose of giving supply to a person pursuant to Section 43 of the Electricity Act.

The Commission has notified Regulation No.1 of 2014, on 10.12.2014 for adoption of previously subsisting Regulations, Decisions, Directions or Order, Licenses and Practice Directions issued by erstwhile Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission as in existence as on the date of constitution of the Commission to the stakeholders of electricity in the state of Telangana including the Commission until they are altered, repealed or amended. Thus, the Principal Regulation i.e., Regulation No.4 of 2013 applies for the Telangana State, till further modification.

Subsequently, Telangana Electricity Regulatory Commission (TGERC) has notified First amendment to Regulation No.4 of 2013, i.e., Regulation No.1 of 2015 on 20.01.2015.

In order to align with the Electricity (Rights of Consumers) Rules notified by Ministry of Power, Government of India on 31.12.2020 specifying, "for electrified areas up to 150 kW or such higher load as the Commission may specify the connection charges for new connection shall be fixed on the basis of the load, category of connection sought and average cost of connection of the distribution licensee so as to avoid site inspection and estimation of demand charges for each and every case individually. The Demand Charges, in such cases, may be paid at the time of application for new connection.

Further as per the request of the TGDISCOMS, the Commission, in exercise of powers conferred under sub-Section 1 of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, proposed the draft second amendment to the Regulation and issued public notice on 17.10.2024 inviting comments / objections/ suggestions from the stakeholders with the last date for receiving the comments as 24.10.2024. In response to the notice one of the stakeholder i.e., TGSPDCL has submitted their objections. On analysing the objections of the TGSPDCL,

the Commission has found that there is a wide variation in the Service Line Charges proposed by the Commission and that of the actual expenses which are allegedly being incurred by the Licensee. Further it has come to the notice of the Commission that there are certain issues in the matter of inspection of site and discretion of inspecting officers in preparation of estimates at the time of release of new service connections and additional loads, which are detrimental to the interest of consumers. The Commission in order to address the said issues raised by the stakeholders against the spirit of obligation to supply the electricity and to bring in uniformity and objectivity found deemed fit to revisit the proposed amendments as notified earlier by inviting fresh comments/ suggestions / objections from the stakeholders at large and decided to issue fresh draft amendment Regulation in place of the draft amendment Regulation issued on 17.10.2024. After analysing the suggestions of the stakeholders and Licensees, the Commission will consider to amend the provisions of the draft Regulation suitably wherever required.

Accordingly, the Commission in exercise of powers conferred under sub-Section 1 of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) and all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby proposes the following Draft Second Amendment Regulation to the Principal Regulation, namely:

1. Short title, Extent and Commencement:

- 1.1. This Regulation shall be called the Telangana Electricity Regulatory Commission (Licensee's Duty for Supply of Electricity on Request) Second Amendment Regulation, 2025.
- 1.2. This Regulation extends to the whole of Telangana State.
- 1.3. This Regulation shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Gazette of Telangana.

2. The following proviso shall be added under clause 7.1:

Provided that in case of applications for new LT connections/Additional Load under LT categories through overhead lines for other than LT-VIII: Temporary supply and Electrification of Layouts, within 1 km radius of the electrified network for release of supply and / or such release of supply requires extension of line from the existing distribution mains to the consumer's premises, the Distribution Licensee shall collect following Service Line Charges (Rs./kW) for the Contracted Load excluding the cost of terminal and metering arrangements at the premises of the consumer.

i. LT-I: Domestic

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
upto 1 kW	500
Above 1 kW, and upto 5 kW	500 plus 600 per kW or part there of the
	contracted load
Above 5 kW, and upto 20 kW	2,900 plus 1,000 per kW or part there of the
	contracted load
Above 20 kW, and Upto 56	10,000 per kW or part there of the contracted
kW	load

Note:- For the apartments, commercial complexes and multi storied buildings combined contracted load shall be considered for levying the service line charges.

ii. LT-II: Non-Domestic/Commercial, LT- VI Street Lights and PWS Schemes, LT-VII- General

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
Upto 1 kW	1,000
Above 1 kW, and Upto 20 kW	1,000 plus 1,200 per kW or part there of the contracted load
Above 20 kW, and Upto 56	10,000 per kW or part there of the contracted
kW	load

Note:- For the apartments, commercial complexes and multi storied buildings combined contracted load shall be considered for levying the service line charges.

iii. LT-III: Industries

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
Upto 20 kW	4,000 per kW or part there of the contracted
	load
Above 20 kW and upto the	
maximum limits defined in the	10,000 per kW or part there of the contracted
Retail Supply Tariff Order for	load
the relevant year	

iv. LT-IV: Cottage Industries

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
Upto 19 kW	1,000 per kW or part there of the contracted load

v. LT-V: Agriculture

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
	1,000 per kW or part there of the contracted
Upto 56 kW	load (No ORC shall be collected from the
	farmers)

vi. LT-IX - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Load	Service Line Charges (in Rs)
Up to 1 kW	1,000
Above 1 kW, and Upto 20 kW	1,000 plus 1,200 per kW or part there of the contracted load
Above 20 kW, and Upto 150 kW	10,000 per kW or part there of the contracted load

Provided further that the Distribution Licensee shall be responsible for supply and erection of Distribution Transformer for all the above LT connections, shall not charge the cost of Distribution Transformer and shall maintain it.

Provided further that the above rates are applicable with effect from the date of implementation of this Regulation until further revision by the Commission. The TGDISCOMs may file proposals for revision of service line charges from time to time.

3. The following proviso shall be added under clause 8.3

Provided that the LT service connections covered under Proviso to Clause 7.1 for release of new connection / additional load under LT categories for contracted load upto 20 kW for individual connection & combined load up to 20 kW for apartments, commercial complexes and multi storied buildings, the Distribution Licensee shall levy Development Charges as per Schedule (Annexure -I) of Principal Regulation and Service Line Charges as per Proviso to Clause 7.1.

Provided further that for release of new connection / additional load under LT categories for contracted load above 20 kW for individual connection & combined load above 20 kW for apartments, commercial complexes and multi storied buildings, the Distribution Licensee shall levy Service Line Charges only as per Proviso to Clause 7.1 and shall not levy the Development Charges.

4. The following clauses shall be added after clause 12 of principal regulation

13. Issue of orders and Practice Directions

Subject to provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003, Telangana Electricity Reform Act, 1998 and this Regulation, the Commission may, from time to time, issue orders and practice directions in regard to implementation of this Regulation, the procedure to be followed and other matters, which the Commission has been empowered to specify or direct.

14. Power to Amend:

The Commission may from time to time add, vary, alter, suspend, modify, amend or repeal any provisions of this Regulation.

(BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION)

Date: 25.11.2025 V.RAMCHANDER
Place: Hyderabad Commission Secretary