## No. 23/19/2019-R&R Government of India Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi, 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2021

To

1) The Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy) of the State/ UT of Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttrakhand, West Bengal, Delhi, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh

2) Secretary, SERCs of the State/ UT of Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttrakhand, West

Bengal, Delhi, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh

Subject: Timely issuing of the Tariff Orders under Electricity Act, 2003 Sir.

I would like to draw your kind attention to the provisions of Sections 61, 62 and 64 of the Electricity Act, 2003 regarding Tariff Regulations, Determination of tariff and Procedure for tariff order respectively. Some of the SERCs are issuing tariff orders regularly in every financial year whereas some of the other SERCs are not strictly adhering to the provisions of the Act for timely issuing of the tariff orders.

- In this regard, it is important to mention that APTEL had issued an order in OP No.1 of 2011 on 11.11.2011 on issues related to Tariff Revision. In the Order certain directions were issued to the State Commissions. These directions related to -
  - Ensuring regular and timely revision of Tariffs including regular Truing up of Tariffs

Non creation of fresh Regulatory Assets, allowing Carrying cost of ii.

the past Regulatory Assets

- A mechanism for Fuel and Power Purchase cost adjustment to be put in iii. place.
- 3. Distribution sector is a crucial element of the entire electricity value-chain. Sustainability of the entire Power Sector is critically dependent on the sustainability and growth of the Distribution Sector.



- 4. As per information available with Ministry of Power some of the SERCs have not yet issued the tariff Orders for FY 2021-22 thereby not adhering to the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 and directions of the Hon'ble APTEL. The status the tariff orders for FY 2021-22 issued till 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 is at *Annexure-I*.
- 5. In order to comply with the APTEL directions and considering the importance of timely issuing of tariff orders under the provisions of Electricity Act, 2003, I have been directed to request that tariff orders for the FY 2021-22 are issued at the earliest in order to ensure the financial health of DISCOMs in your State.
- 6. The status report regarding issuance of tariff orders for 2021-22 by SERC in your State may kindly be intimated to this Ministry at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(Ghanshyam Prasad) Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

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- 1) Secretary, FOR, New Delhi.
- 2) Registrar, APTEL

## Status of tariff orders for FY 2021-22 issued by the State Commission

Tariff Order Issued till March, 2021	
States/UTs	2021-22
Andhra Pradesh	25-Mar-21
Assam	15-Feb-21
Bihar	26-Mar-21
Gujarat	31-Mar-21
Haryana	30-Mar-21
Maharashtra	30-Mar-20
Meghalaya	25-Mar-21
Odisha	26-Mar-21
Himachal Pradesh	29-Jun-19
Kerala	08-Jul-19
Goa	30-Mar-21
Mizoram	26-Mar-21
Sikkim	26-Feb-21
Chandigarh	30-Mar-21
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	23-Mar-21
Daman & Diu	23-Mar-21
Lakshadweep	31-Mar-21

## MYT Orders released in previous year

Tariff Order Issued in April, 2021 (up to 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2021)	
States/Uts	2021-22
Manipur	26-Apr-21
Puducherry	07-Apr-21

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