



Before the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission

Order No. 9 of 2024, dated 17.10.2024

Present : Thiru K.Venkatesan, Member
Thiru B.Mohan, Member/Legal

In the matter of : Order on Pooled Cost of Power Purchase payable by TANGEDCO for the year 2022-23 under TNERC (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation) Regulations, 2010.

1. In exercise of powers conferred by section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act 36 of 2003) read with sections 61, 66 and 86(1)(e) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, and after previous publication, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission has notified Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation) Regulations, 2010 (herein after referred to as 'RPO Regulations') vide notification No. TNERC/RPO/19/1, dated 07-12-2010 and the same was published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette dated the 22nd December, 2010.

2. The regulation 2(1)(h) of the TNERC (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation) Regulations, 2010 defines the Pooled Cost of Power Purchase as follows:

'Pooled cost of power purchase' means the weighted average pooled price at which the distribution licensee has purchased the electricity including cost of self generation in the previous year from all the long-term energy suppliers, but excluding those based on liquid fuel, purchase from traders, short-term purchases and renewable energy sources subject to the maximum of 75% of the preferential tariff fixed by the Commission to that category / sub category of NCES generators'

3. Sub regulation (1) in regulation 6 of the TNERC (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation) Regulations, 2010 sets out the eligibility criteria to the renewable energy generating company for obtaining accreditation from the State Agency as follows:

“(a) It does not have any power purchase agreement for the capacity related to such generation to sell electricity at a preferential tariff determined by the Commission; and

(b) It sells the electricity generated either (i) to the distribution licensee in the State of Tamil Nadu at a price not exceeding the pooled cost of power purchase, or (ii) to any other licensee or to an open access consumer at a mutually agreed price, or through power exchange at market determined price.”

4. In accordance to the above, based on the records furnished by Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation (TANGEDCO), the Commission hereby specifies the Pooled Cost of Power Purchase payable by the TANGEDCO for the year 2022-23 as Rs.6.23 per unit subject to the maximum of 75% of the preferential tariff fixed by the Commission to that category / sub category of NCES generators i.e. Rs.6.23 per unit or 75% of the preferential tariff fixed by the Commission to that category / sub category of RE generators for the respective year of commissioning, whichever is less. This Order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st April 2022.

5. The Commission directs the Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited to file a appropriate petition before the Commission immediately for determination of pooled cost of power purchase for the year 2023-24.

(By order of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission)

Sd/-
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