



**ORDER
OF
WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
FOR THE YEAR 2024 – 2025
IN
CASE NO: TP – 98 / 22 – 23

IN REGARD TO THE TARIFF APPLICATION OF THE
WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION
COMPANY LIMITED FOR THE YEARS 2023 – 2024, 2024 –
2025 AND 2025 – 2026 UNDER SECTION 64(3)(a) READ
WITH SECTION 62(1) AND SECTION 62(3) OF THE
ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003**

DATE: 06.03.2024



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CHAPTER -1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission"), a statutory body under the first proviso to section 82(1) of the Electricity Act, 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), has been authorized in terms of section 86 and section 62(1) of the Act to determine the tariff for a) supply of electricity by a generating company to a distribution licensee, b) transmission of electricity, c) wheeling of electricity and d) retail sale of electricity, as the case may be, within the State of West Bengal.
- 1.2 The West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as WBSEDCL), is deemed to be a licensee under the Electricity Act, 2003 in terms of fifth proviso to Section 14 of the Act wholly owned by the State Government and is engaged in the business of distribution of electricity within the area of supply of WBSEDCL in the State of West Bengal and the distribution tariff of WBSEDCL shall be determined by the Commission.
- 1.3 In terms of West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011, as amended from time to time (hereinafter referred to as the 'Tariff Regulations'), the Commission vide order dated 31.08.2022 in case no SM-31/22-23 decided that, the eighth control period shall be of three years consisting of 2023 – 24, 2024 – 25 and 2025 – 26. Accordingly, WBSEDCL submitted the tariff application for three years of eighth control period under the Multi Year Tariff (MYT) framework on 30.11.2023 and subsequently submitted a supplementary petition on 20.01.2023. The tariff petition along with the supplementary petition were admitted by the Commission in case no. TP-98/22-23. Gist of the petition was published on 11.02.2023 simultaneously in newspapers namely - (i) 'The Telegraph' (English), (ii) 'The Aajkaal' (Bngali), (iii) 'Bartaman' (Bengali) and 'Sanmarg' (Hindi), seeking suggestions, objections and comments from all interested parties by 06.03.2023. Opportunities were also offered to all to inspect the tariff application and to take copies thereof. Suggestions / comments were received from four stakeholders within due date.
- 1.4 The Commission, thereafter, in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Tariff Regulations and analyzing the suggestions/ objections received, passed the tariff



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order dated 30.03.2023 in respect of WBSEDCL in case no. TP- 98/22-23 determining the Aggregate Revenue Requirement (in short 'ARR') of WBSEDCL for each year of the eighth control period, along with the tariff of WBSEDCL for the year 2023 – 24.

- 1.5 The Commission now proceeds to determine the revenue recoverable through tariff by WBSEDCL during the year 2024 – 25 as also the tariff of WBSEDCL for 2024 – 25 on the basis of ARR determined for 2024 – 25 in the tariff order dated 30.03.2023 in case no TP-98/22-23 after necessary adjustments in accordance with the Tariff Regulations as detailed in the subsequent chapter.



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CHAPTER -2 SUMMARISED STATEMENT OF AGGREGATE REVENUE REQUIREMENT & REVENUE RECOVERABLE THROUGH TARIFF FOR THE YEAR 2024 – 2025

2.1 As stated in the preceding chapter, the Commission determined the ARR of WBSEDCL separately for each of the three years of the eighth control period consisting the years 2023 – 24, 2024 – 25 and 2025 – 26 in the tariff order dated 30.03.2023 in case no TP-98/22-23 (hereinafter referred as 'the 8th MYT order') based on the analysis and findings recorded in that order. The Commission in the MYT order has determined the ARR amounting to **Rs. 2457658 Lakh** for the year 2024 – 25. Summarized statement of ARR for 2023 – 24 was given in Annexure-7B to the 8th MYT order dated 30.03.2023.

2.2 Revenue from sale of power to other licensees:

WBSEDCL in its 8th MYT petition proposed to sale power to other licensees in the State and Sikkim, in addition to sale of power to its own consumers. WBSEDCL in its petition proposed Rs. 84623.00 lakh as revenue recovered from such sale during the year 2024 – 25. The amount has been adjusted from the ARR of WBSEDCL to arrive at the revenue recoverable from the consumers. Any variation on account of sale to other licensee shall be adjusted during truing up following the provisions of the Tariff Regulations.

2.3 Adjustment of Regulatory Assets and other payables:

The Commission in the 8th MYT order decided to adjust Rs. 205370 Lakh as part adjustment of APR order of 2020-21 and Rs. 8397 lakh as carrying cost of Regulatory asset.

2.4 Considering the above adjustments, the total revenue recoverable from the consumers and the average tariff during the year 2024 – 25 are determined as below:

Sl No	Particulars	Unit	Amount
1	ARR for 2024 – 25 as approved in the 8 th MYT order	Rs. Lakh	2457658.00
2	Less: Revenue from sale to licensees & Sikkim	Rs. Lakh	84623.00



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Sl No	Particulars	Unit	Amount
3	Adjustment of Regulatory Assets		
	(i) Part APR adjustment of WBSEDCL for 2020-21	Rs. Lakh	205370.00
	(ii) Carrying cost of Regulatory Asset	Rs. Lakh	8397.00
	Sub-total 3 [(i) + (ii)]	Rs. Lakh	213767.00
5	Net Revenue Recoverable from consumers (1 – 2 +3)	Rs. Lakh	2586802.00

- 2.5 Keeping in view the Notification No. 332-PO/O/C-IV/IE-60/13(Part-VA) dated 31.12.2018 issued by the Government of West Bengal, the Commission, in conformity with its order dated 31.12.2018 in Case No. A-6/14, decides to continue the tariff for consumers in erstwhile DPL area for the year 2024-25 same as per the tariff and MVCA applicable to DPL consumers on 31.12.2018. Now considering the tariff for 'erstwhile DPL consumers' and 'balance consumers of WBSEDCL, the Revenue recoverable for 2024 – 25 vis-à-vis the Expected revenue at existing rates (i.e. at 2023 – 24 tariff) are computed below:

Sl No	Particulars	Unit	Amount
1	Revenue Recoverable from consumers for 2024 – 25	Rs. lakh	2586802.00
2	Expected Revenue at existing rate from 'erstwhile DPL consumers'		
	(i) Sale to erstwhile DPL Consumers	MU	2228.38
	(ii) Average tariff of erstwhile DPL consumers as on 31.12.2018	Paisa/kwh	499.30
	(iii) Expected revenue from 'erstwhile DPL consumers'	Rs. lakh	111263.00
3	Expected Revenue at existing rate from 'balance consumers of WBSEDCL'		
	(i) Sale to balance consumers of WBSEDCL	MU	34763.92
	(ii) Average tariff of balance consumers of WBSEDCL	Paisa/kwh	712.10
	(iii) Expected revenue from balance consumers of WBSEDCL	Rs. lakh	2475539.00
4	Total Expected Revenue	Rs. lakh	2586802.00
5	Revenue Gap (+) / Surplus (-) [	Rs. Lakh	0.00

- 2.6 In view of the above, the Commission decides that the tariff of 'erstwhile DPL consumers' and 'balance consumers of WBSEDCL' for the year 2024 – 25 shall remain same as that of the year 2023 – 24.