

**JOINT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR
THE STATE OF GOA AND UNION TERRITORIES
GURGAON**

Coram
Dr. V. K. Garg, Chairperson
Shri R. K. Sharma, FIE Member

Petition No.....23/ 2011
(Suo-moto)

In the matter of

Designation of agency as State Agency for accreditation and recommending the renewable energy projects for registration.

And in the matter of:

Compliance of regulation 3.1 of the JERC (Procurement of Renewable Energy) Regulations, 2010.

Respondents:

Administrator, UT of Lakshadweep
Secretary (Power), State of Goa
Secretary (Power), UT of Andaman & Nicobar Islands
Secretary (Finance), UT of Chandigarh
Secretary (Power), UT of Daman & Diu
Secretary (Power), UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli
Secretary (Power), UT of Puducherry

Presents:

1. Sh B.N.Mehta, Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department Dadra & Nagar Haveli
2. Sh R.B.Chaubal, D.E. Electricity Department Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
3. Sh. Sarjeet Singh Assistant Engineer I/C, Electricity Department, Daman & Diu

ORDER

05.04.2011

The Commission reviewed the status.

1) Electricity Department, Goa

They have not filed any objection even by the extended date of 28.02.2011.

Commission observes that they have been given enough opportunity to do so. The Commission directs that, as already proposed, The Member Secretary, Goa Energy Development Agency, shall be the State Nodal Agency.

2) Electricity Department Andaman & Nicobar Island

The Petitioner submitted that the Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department, A & N Administration, Port Blair may be designated as State Nodal Agency. The Commission feels that the proposal if agreed to may result into 'clash of interest' in terms of clause 3.3 of JERC (Procurement of Renewable energy) regulations 2010.

Further also. the Commission, on review, feels that even designating Executive Engineer(NRSE) Electricity Department as the State Nodal Agency, as the Commission proposed earlier, based on the MNRE list of State Nodal Agencies, may also result into 'clash of interest' in terms of clause 3.3 of JERC (Procurement of Renewable energy) regulations 2010, which is not desirable.

The Commission directs therefore that a suitable agency may be designated other than those proposed above by the A&N Administration in Consultation with MNRE and file their recommendations to the Commission.

Their recommendations shall be filed by 16th May 2011.

3) Electricity Department Chandigarh

State Nodal Agency already notified.

4) Electricity Department Daman & Diu (EDDD)

Principal Scientific Officer Department of Science and Technology Daman was proposed as the State Nodal Agency.

EDDD have filed their objections stating that above proposed agency is neither equipped with technical staff nor is having technical expertise to deal with the subject in question. They have instead proposed to designate the Executive Engineer (Elect.) EDDD as the State Nodal Agency.

The Commission pointed out that the proposal if agreed to may result into 'clash of interest' in terms of clause 3.3 of JERC (Procurement of Renewable energy) regulations 2010, which is not desirable.

The Respondent had no comments to offer and agreed to Commissions view.

Accordingly Commission directs that Principal Scientific Officer Department of Science and Technology Daman shall be the State Nodal Agency. If there is any need to strengthen the said department, the same shall be done appropriately.

5) Electricity Department Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Development and Planning Officer, Administration of DNH was proposed as the State Nodal Agency.

They have replied that they perceive that under the present scenario of regulation it will be better to nominate State/UT Nodal Agency for New and Renewable energy as Superintending Engineer (Power).

The Commission pointed out that the proposal if agreed to may result into 'clash of interest' in terms of clause 3.3 of JERC (Procurement of Renewable energy) regulations 2010, which is not desirable.

The Respondent had no comments to offer and agreed to Commission's view.

Accordingly Commission directs that Development and Planning Officer, Administration of DNH shall be the State Nodal Agency. If there is any need to strengthen the said department, the same shall be done appropriately.

6) Electricity Department Lakshadweep

The Commission, on review, feels that designating Executive Engineer Electricity Department as the State Nodal Agency, as the Commission had proposed earlier, based on the MNRE list of State Nodal Agencies, may result into 'clash of interest' in terms of clause 3.3 of JERC (Procurement of Renewable energy) regulations 2010, which is not desirable.

Even though the Lakshadweep Administration has no objection, The Commission observes that a suitable agency may be designated other than Executive Engineer Electricity Department Lakshadweep by the Administration in Consultation with MNRE and file their recommendations to the Commission.

Their recommendations shall be filed by 16th May 2011.

7) Electricity Department Puducherry

State Nodal Agency already notified.

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(R. K. SHARMA)
MEMBER

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(DR. V.K.GARG)
CHAIRPERSON