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PRESS NOTE

The Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (APERC) has conducted a 20th State Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting today at the conference hall, APEPDCL corporate office, Visakhapatnam. Sri Thakur Rama Singh, Chairman (i/c) & Member/Technical APERC, while welcoming all the members, sought views of all on the Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) and Tariff proposals of the DISCOMs for the ensuing Financial Year FY 2025-26.

The Objects of SAC, as specified in section 88 of the act, shall be to advise the Commission on –

- (i) major questions of policy;
- (ii) matters relating to quality, continuity and extent of service provided by the licensees;
- (iii) compliance by licensees with the conditions and requirements of their licence;
- (iv) protection of consumer interest; and
- (v) electricity supply and overall standards of performance by utilities.

Chairman (i/c) APERC has spelt out various measures that have been taken up by the Commission during the last one year, particularly regarding Regulations promoting the Solar Rooftop, Green Energy Open Access, Demand Side Management, etc. He also stated that given the installation of smart meters by DISCOMS for selected consumers, the APERC had issued draft amendments to the security deposit Regulation, supply code Regulation, and the licensee's duty to supply electricity and GTCS, inviting comments from the public.

The State Advisory Committee represents the interests of commerce, industry, transport, agriculture, labour, consumers, non-governmental organisations and academic and research bodies in the electricity sector.

During the meeting, the SAC members made several suggestions regarding ARR & Tariff proposals and other issues like improving safety and consumer service. After SAC members expressed their views, the CMDs of DISCOMs responded to various suggestions and opinions from SAC members.

Sri. P.V.R Reddy, Member/Fin/APERC, also attended the meeting along with the Chairman(i/c). Sri. Prudhvitej I.A.S, the Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of APEPDCL, Sri. K. Santosha Rao CMD/APSPDCL, Sri. A.K.V. Bhaskar, Director/Grid /AP Transco and Sri. Ramdas, Director /Finance (i/c), APCPDCL, have represented the power utilities as special invitees.

In the end, the Chairman thanked all the members for their insightful views.

Place: VIZAG

Date: 17-01-2025

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Commission Secretary (i/c)