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APERC—Waiving of Surcharge imposed on Government Departments/ Bodies—The request from GoAP—One-Time Settlement (OTS) Scheme—Approved—Reg.

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Proceedings. No.44/T- 28/D.No.145/ 2025

Date: 18-03-2025

Read the following:

Ref:- [Letter No.2749564/Budget/2025, Dated 12.03.2025](#)

ORDER:

1. The Principal Secretary to GoAP, the finance department under reference cited, has informed the Commission that the State Government is prioritising clearing the pending current consumption charges of all Government Departments/Bodies. As of the date, Rs.3176.52 Cr of the current consumption charges of all Government Departments/Bodies for FY2024-25 is pending payment to DISCOMS. In this regard, he requested the Commission to waive all the surcharges imposed on the Government Departments due to delays in payment of current consumption (CC) charges to ensure that the DISCOMS will benefit immensely through cash flow to their accounts.
2. The Commission has carefully examined the above request. The total government arrears as of 31.12.2024 stand at Rs.12,169.38 crores, consisting of Rs.9010.94 principal amount and delayed payment surcharge (DPS) of Rs.3158.45 crores as per information available with this office. For the FY2024-25, the total current consumption(CC) charges due from the government are Rs.4782.33 crores, consisting of the principal of Rs.3176.52 crores and DPS of Rs.1605.80 crores. If GoAP's request is considered, it will substantially improve the cash flows of DISCOMS, thus improving financial performance and helping to get a better

rating from GoI. This will further help to get future borrowing at lower interest rates from financial institutions. Further, as per the compliance reports received from DISCOMS, they failed to disconnect the services of governments/bodies despite the instructions of the Commission in a letter dated 27.10.2022.

3. Therefore, considering the vexed issue of non-payment of arrears by government departments/bodies, the Commission felt it expedient to offer a one-time surcharge waiver regarding CC charges. Accordingly, the Commission waives surcharge amounts on CC charges for FY2024-25 as a One-time measure under the “ One-Time-Settlement Scheme” as a special case for all the government departments/bodies subject to the condition that such arrears shall be paid in full on or before **17.04.2025**, failing which, they will not be entitled to the benefit of such waiver.
4. Accordingly, the DISCOMS are directed to write letters to all the Government departments/bodies, etc., that are in arrears, informing them about this Commission’s decision and requesting that they avail of this one-time benefit. The amounts realised under the OTS Scheme shall be communicated to the Commission within two weeks from the scheme's end on **17.04.2025**. The DISCOMS shall not extend the benefit beyond the above-stipulated date.

(BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION)


COMMISSION SECRETARY (I/c)

To

- 1) The Chairman & Managing Director/APSPDCL/Tirupati.
- 2) The Chairman & Managing Director/APEPDCL/Visakhapatnam.
- 3) The Chairman & Managing Director/APCPDCL/Vijayawada

Copy to :

- 4) The Special Chief Secretary to GoAP/Energy Department.
- 5) The Principal Secretary to GoAP/Finance Department, please take advantage of the OTS Scheme and arrange to expeditiously clear all dues from government departments/bodies.
- 6) The Chairman & Managing Director/APTransco.