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

Quorum Shri M.K. Goel, Chairperson Smt. Neerja Mathur, Member

Petition No. 213/2016 Date of Hearing: 23.05.2017 Date of Order: 07.06.2017

#### In the matter of:

Petition for determination of Tariff for procurement of Power by the Distribution Company / Licensees from Biomass based Power Generating Company in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands using the Gasification route (Otto Cycle) - Mithakhari Industrial Area, Port Blair, South Andaman

# And in the matter of:

Riflex Industries Private Limited, Registered Office at New #31, Old # 14, Moore Street, Chennai 600 001 and Branch Office at Andaman Islands at 2<sup>nd</sup> Line, Opposite to Dr. Diwan Singh Gurudwara, Gurudwara Lane, Port Blair – 744 101 .... Petitioner

# And in the matter of:

Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair – 744 101 .. Respondent

Petition No. 214/2016

## In the matter of:

Petition for determination of Tariff for procurement of Power by the Distribution Company / Licensees from Biomass based Power Generating Company in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands using the Gasification route (Otto Cycle) - Campbell Bay, Great Nicobar Island

#### And in the matter of:

Riflex Industries Private Limited, Registered Office at New #31, Old # 14, Moore Street, Chennai 600 001 and Branch Office at Andaman Islands at 2<sup>nd</sup> Line, Opposite to Dr. Diwan Singh Gurudwara, Gurudwara Lane, Port Blair – 744 101 .... Petitioner

## And in the matter of:

Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair – 744 101 .. Respondent

Petition No. 215/2016

#### In the matter of:

Petition for determination of Tariff for procurement of Power by the Distribution Company / Licensees from Biomass based Power Generating Company in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands using the Gasification route (Otto Cycle) Hutbay, Little Andaman Taluk, Distt. South Andaman

#### And in the matter of:

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#### And in the matter of:

Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair – 744 101 ..Respondent

#### Present

For the Petitioner

None.

# For the Respondent

Shri Yogesh Tiwari, Assistant Engineer, Electricity Department, A&N Island.

### ORDER

Shri Yogesh Tiwari, Asstt. Engineer, Electricity Department, A&N Administration, the Respondent, submitted that in compliance to the Commission's Order dated 16.09.2016, a Committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of the Secretary (Agriculture), Andaman & Nicobar Administration to assess the Biomass availability, price & quality etc. in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The Committee arranged for collection of 10 Biomass samples intended to be used in the Power Plant by the Petitioner. The samples so collected were sent to the NABL, Chennai for determination of the Calorific value of each of the samples.

The Respondent further submitted that the final report received from the NABL may take some more time. He, therefore, requested the Commission to grant additional time of four weeks to submit the final report of the Committee duly containing all the issues raised in the Commission's Order dated 16.09.2016.

The Commission noted that more than 7 months have lapsed since the issue of the last Order dated 16.09.2016, but compliance of the said Order is still awaited. However, considering the efforts put in by the ED, A& N , the progress made till date and the fact that ED, A&N is not ready with all the details including their recommended input price of the Biomass, the Commission granted time to the Electricity Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration to submit the final report latest by 20.06.2017 with an advance copy to the Petitioner. The Commission reiterated that all the issues including fuel related issue raised in the Commission's earlier Order dated 16.09.2016 need to be clearly addressed in the Report of the Committee.

The Commission also noted that the Petitioner did not attend the hearing. The absence of the Petitioner has been viewed seriously by the Commission. The Petitioner is directed to attend the next hearing failing which the said petition would be dismissed.

The Petition shall be listed for further hearing after the receipt of the report from the Respondent.

Ordered accordingly.

Sd/-(NEERJA MATHUR) MEMBER Sd/-(M.K. GOEL) CHAIRPERSON

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SECRETARY