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Shri M.K. GOEL, Chairperson

Suo Moto Petition No. 61/2012

Date of Hearing: 30th July 2020

Date of Order: 07th August 2020

In the matter of:

Compliance of Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (For the state of Goa and Union Territories) (Procurement of Renewable Energy) Regulations, 2010 regarding Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) and as amended from time to time.

Respondents Present.....

1. Shri Hassan P.V, Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Lakshadweep
2. Shri M.R. Ingle, Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Daman & Diu
3. Shri Dilesh Solanki, Asstt. Engineer, Electricity Department, Daman & Diu
4. Shri. Stephen Fernandes, Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department, Goa
5. Shri R. Murali, Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department, Puducherry
6. Shri Ajit Bernard, Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department, A&N Islands
7. Shri Yogesh Tiwari, Asstt. Engineer, Electricity Department, A&N Islands
8. Shri R.B. Chaubal, Deputy Engineer, DNHPDCL
9. Shri Yunush Patel, Asstt. Engineer, DNHPDCL
10. Shri U.K. Patel, Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Chandigarh

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Interim Order

The Commission has conducted the Suo Moto Hearing on 30th July, 2020 in the matter of compliance of Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (For the State of Goa and Union Territories) (Procurement of Renewable Energy) Regulations, 2010 regarding Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) and as amended from time to time. The Commission has received the data on RPO compliance for the FY 2019-20 from all Union Territories along with the action plan for the FY 2020-21. The same has been taken on record. It was noticed that the submission given by the Utilities and the actual status of backlog and compliance till FY 2019-20 in case of RPO was not reconcilable. Therefore, the Commission has further directed all the Utilities to submit the actual compliance for FY 2019-20 and the Action Plan for FY 2020-21 along with the first Quarter Compliance for FY 2020-21 on Affidavit within 21 (twenty one) days of the issuance of the interim order i.e. by 28.08.2020 and also directed to submit the Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) and Power Sale Agreements (PSA), if any undertaken by the Utilities.

The Commission during the hearing noticed that Electricity Departments of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu and Puducherry have a huge backlog of RPO compliance. Further there has not been any considerable progress during the first quarter, so the Commission directs all DISCOMS to submit the quarter wise action plan as per the formats for fulfilment of RPO so that full compliance can be achieved by end of FY 2020-21.

The Commission also directed Electricity Department, Lakshadweep to submit the written submission on issues related to Compliance of RPO on affidavit, as hearing on Video Conferencing with Lakshadweep could not be done due to network connection issues in Lakshadweep.

Further DNHPDCL submitted that the energy sales had dipped drastically due to nation wide lockdown due to COVID-19 leading to consequent lower RPO target (in MU) for FY 2020-21.

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The Commission desired that revised sales may be assessed by all utilities based on Quarter 1 sales so that there is a more realistic RPO Target in Mus for FY 2020-21.

The formats for compliance Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) are as mentioned below:

FORMAT FOR RENEWABLE PURCHASE OBLIGATION (RPO)

ACTION PLAN FOR THE NEXT THREE QUARTERS OF FY 2020-21

| RPO Obligation for FY 2020-21 (1) | Sales Figure for FY 2020-21 In MUs (2) | FY 2020- 21 Target In MUs (3) | Second Quarter (July 2020- September 2020) In MUs (4) | | | Third Quarter (October 2020-December 2020) In MUs (5) | | | Fourth Quarter (January 2021-March 2021) In MUs (6) | | | Total RPO Compliance In MUs (7=4+5+6) |
|---|--|---|--|-----|-------------------|--|-----|-------------------|--|-----|-------------------|--|
| | | | Generation | REC | Power Purchase | Generation | REC | Power Purchase | Generation | REC | Power Purchase | |
| Solar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Solar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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CUMULATIVE COMPLIANCE TILL FY 2019-20 INCLUDING BACKLOG AND COMPLIANCE FOR FIRST QUARTER FY 2020-21

| S.No | RPO Obligation | Sales figure for FY 2019-20 In MUs | RPO Target to be Met for FY 2019-20 | | Cumulative Target for FY 2019-20 including backlog (Till End of March 2020) | Total RPO Met from various sources for FY 2019-20 In MUs | | | | Total RPO Met from various sources for FY 2020-21 (First Quarter: April 2020 to June 2020) In MUs | | | |
|------|----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|---|--|-----|----------------|-------|---|-----|----------------|-------|
| | | | 4 | 5 | | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | | | % | MU | MU | Generation | REC | Power Purchase | Total | Generation | REC | Power Purchase | Total |
| 1 | Solar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Non-Solar | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Ordered Accordingly.

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