

**BEFORE THE ODISHA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
BHUBANESWAR**

**Case No. 72/2018
Filing No- 2**

IN THE MATTER OF: An application for determination of Annual Revenue Requirement and Fees and Charges of State Load Despatch Centre (SLDC), Odisha for the FY 2019-20.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF: Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited.,
Janpath, Bhubaneswar.

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IN THE MATTER OF Reply to the queries by the Hon'ble Commission vide letter No. 72 / 2018 / 1778 dated 27.12.2018.

The Humble Applicant above named

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That Hon'ble Commission on scrutiny of the application for Annual Revenue Requirement and Fees and Charges for SLDC functions for the FY 2019-20 have sought for clarifications and additional information vide letter No. 72 / 2018 / 1778 dated 27.12.2018 by raising 12 Nos. queries.

SLDC, OPTCL hereby submits the following clarifications and additional information in the paragraphs mentioned hereunder for kind information of the Hon'ble Commission.

Query No.1: The Commission had directed that State Govt. and OPTCL shall take steps to make SLDC an independent system operator in accordance with the intention of the Electricity Act, 2003 in its order on Fees and Charges for SLDC for FY 2018-19 vide para No.143. Chief Load Despatcher, SLDC was directed to act independently in accordance with law while granting open access to the users. Compliance may be furnished by SLDC.

Reply: *As per provision under Section 31(2) of the Electricity Act, the State Transmission Utility shall operate the State Load Dispatch Centre (SLDC) until a government company or any authority or corporation is notified by the State Government. Accordingly, OPTCL, being the designated STU, is operating SLDC at present. SLDC is now operating autonomously as an independent system operator headed*

by Chief Load Despatcher, under the direct administrative control of the Chairman-cum-Managing Director of OPTCL. SLDC is processing the open access applications independently in accordance with the prevailing Regulations.

Query No.2: The Commission had further directed OPTCL and Chief Load Despatcher to identify the assets pertaining to SLDC and sub-SLDCs and pursue with Govt. of Odisha to make the transfer scheme effective vide para No.145 of its Fees and Charges order for FY 2018-19. Compliance to the above direction may be furnished to the Commission.

Reply: All assets pertaining to SLDC have been identified and used exclusively by SLDC personnel. Further SLDC has created many major assets such as computers & peripherals, furniture & fixtures, VPS screen by using funds from “SLDC Development Fund” with due approval of the Hon’ble Commission. In addition to the above, the Commission has approved for construction of a new building to be used by SLDC. As such, all assets have been acquired by SLDC for its own use. In view of the above, transfer of assets is not relevant in the present scenario. However, Transfer of assets shall be done through a ‘Transfer Scheme’ by Government of Odisha after due notification.

Query No.3: SLDC may furnish the details of receipt towards Application Fee and Scheduling Charges from STOA customers for FY 2016-17, 2017-18 and from April 2018 to November, 2018 for the FY 2018-19.

Reply: The details of receipt towards Application Fee and Scheduling Charges from STOA customers for FY 2016-17, 2017-18 and from April’ 2018 to Nov’2018 for the FY 2018-19 are given below:

Financial Year	Application Fee (Rs.)	Scheduling Charges
2016-17	77,00,000	2,27,90,024
2017-18	84,00,000	2,45,34,200
2018-19 (up to Nov’18)	52,48,800	1,42,50,120

Query No.4: SLDC may furnish the details of collection towards Registration Fee from the users for FYs 2016-17, 2017-18 and from April 2018 to November, 2018.

Reply: The details of collection towards Registration Fee from the users for FYs 2016-17, 2017-18 and from April’2018 to November’ 2018 are given below:

Financial Year	Registration Fee (Rs.)
2016-17	25,00,000
2017-18	2,00,000
2018-19 (up to Nov’18)	99,994.10

Query No.5: SLDC may furnish the item-wise actual expenditure viz. Employee cost, R&M, A&G, , Depreciation, and Interest on Working Capital incurred during FY 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 (up to November, 2018).

Reply: *The item-wise actual expenditure incurred during FY 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 (up to Nov, 2018) are given below:*

Financial Year	Employee Cost (Rs)	R & M (Rs)	A & G (Rs)	Depreciation (Rs)	Interest on working capital
2016-17	5,44,58,948	55,47,836	1,09,58,560	32,53,009	0
2017-18	5,00,52,994	48,90,224	1,25,49,216	57,02,416	0
2018-19 (up to Nov-18)	3,45,81,776	7,66,974	66,15,712	-	0

Query No.6: SLDC may furnish the month-wise Cash flow Statement for the financial year 2017-18 indicating the opening & closing balance of cash. Actuals from April to November 2018 may also be submitted.

Reply: *The month-wise Cash flow Statement for the financial year 2017-18 indicating the opening & closing balance of cash. Actuals from April to November 2018 is enclosed as **Annexure –I & II.***

Query No.7: SLDC may furnish the actual Pay, GP,DA,ADA,HRA etc. paid to Employees during FY 2018-19 (April 2018 to November 2018).

Reply: *The details of actual Pay, GP, DA, ADA, HRA etc. paid to Employees during FY 2018-19 (April 2018 to November 2018) are enclosed as **Annexure –III.***

Query No.8: SLDC may furnish the Annual Accounts for the Financial Years ending 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Reply: *The Annual Accounts for the Financial Years ending 2016-17 and 2017-18 are enclosed as **Annexure –IV& V***

Query No.9: SLDC may furnish the details of available SLDC Fund as on 31.03.2018. A note on plan of action for utilization of such fund in the ensuing year may also be furnished.

Reply: *The details of available SLDC Development Fund as on 31.03.2018 are enclosed as **Annexure -VI.***

Hon'ble Commission have approved the CAPEX expenses amounting Rs.717.99 lakh proposed by SLDC for FY 2017-18 to 2018-19 vide their order dated 23.03.2017 passed in Case No. 47 of 2016 filed by OPTCL for approval of CAPEX expenditure.

The CAPEX expenses would be incurred for construction of new building, procurement of computer and peripherals for SLDC Data Centre and SLDC, procurement of computer tables for use at EASSC, software for countering the cyber-attacks, colour scanner, furniture and fixture for use of office staff, etc. Out of total sum of Rs.717.99 lakh, a sum of Rs.402.99 lakh would be spent during FY 2017- 18 and Rs.315 lakh during FY 2018-19.

Further, Hon'ble Commission have approved vide letter DIR (T) 351 / 08 / 1520 dated 27.10.2017 for additional capital expenditure amounting Rs. 3,09,10,579.00 towards expansion of existing VPS, up-gradation of existing VPS, procurement of RVDU for Jaynagar sub-station to monitor Machhakund generation and additional amount required for procurement of furniture & fixture and computer & peripherals for SLDC data centre.

The above expenditure shall be met from SLDC development fund.

Query No.10: The details of Open Access allowed by SLDC may be furnished in a tabular form.

Reply The details of Open Access allowed by SLDC are furnished below.

Year	No. of applications received	No. of approval allowed	No. of applications rejected	Total MW allowed (MU Scheduled)	Total amount received as STOA charges (Rs. in lakh)	Reason of rejection
2014-15	1297	1243	54	3849.980	Details of Application fee & Scheduling Charges furnished at Reply-3	Applications not complying with the required provisions.
2015-16	1416	1321	95	4564.037		
2016-17	1645	1496	149	4312.831		
2017-18	1697	1599	98	4705.159		
2018-19 (up to Nov'18)	1210	1206	4	5837.506		

Query No.11: SLDC may submit a brief write up explaining how merit order dispatch of power purchase is being followed / adopted during FY 2017-18 and 2018-19.

Reply: On receipt of day-ahead drawl schedule from all the Distribution Utilities and day ahead generation availability from all the State Generators including IPPs and entitlement of ISGS share, SLDC prepares the dispatch instruction to the State Generators / IPPs and drawal schedule from ISGS considering the cost of generation on merit order.

Query No. 12: The Govt. of Odisha vide its letter 8326 dt.17.11.2016 has approved appointment of 67 employees of different grades in SLDC. SLDC to clarify whether the present staffing position is sufficient to meet the day-to-day functioning.

Reply: Government of Odisha has approved 67 nos of posts exclusively for SLDC Control Centre, Bhubaneswar, which is adequate to meet the present activity.

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Affidavit verifying the Application

I, Sri Prabodha Kumar Mishra, son of Late Nalini Ranjan Mishra, aged about 58 years, presently working at SLDC, Bhubaneswar do solemnly affirm and say as follows:

I am the Chief Load Despatcher, SLDC of Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited, the applicant in the above matter, and am duly authorized by the said applicant to make this affidavit on its behalf.

The statements made herein the above are based on information and I believe them to be true.

Bhubaneswar
04th January, 2019

DEPONENT