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To

The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
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Sub: Queries on ARR & BSP Application of GRIDCO for 2019-20

Sir,

On scrutiny of the ARR & BSP Application of GRIDCO for 2019-20, it has been noted that certain information/data which are extremely relevant for the purpose of scrutiny and analysis of Revenue Requirement and BSP of GRIDCO for the FY 2019-20 have not been furnished. An Annexure indicating the items on which information/clarifications are needed is enclosed herewith.

You are hereby directed to furnish the information as per the queries raised in the said Annexure by **07.01.2019** positively. The queries raised in this letter along with the replies shall be supplied to all the persons who have purchased the documents.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

S E C R E T A R Y

Wanting Information in the ARR & BSP Application of GRIDCO for FY 2019-20

Technical

1. GRIDCO is required to furnish the cumulative Plant Availability Factor (PAF) of TTPS (NTPC) and OPGC for the FY 2017-18 along with month-wise PAF for the current financial year up to date.
2. In respect of Central Generating Stations (both for Thermal and Hydro), GRIDCO is required submit the latest share allocation for Odisha made by the Ministry of Power along with present installed capacity. The latest monthly REA prepared by ERPC/SRPC is also to be furnished.
3. The energy bills for the month of October & November, 2018 in respect of all the generators (both state & central sector) supplying power to GRIDCO along with all enclosures are to be submitted. Similarly, the bills for the month of Oct and Nov, 2018 in respect of PGCIL transmission charges, SOC, MOC and ULDC charges are also to be furnished.
4. In the last BSP order for the FY 2018-19, the Commission had directed GRIDCO and the State Govt. to expedite the matter for de-allocation of state share of power from Barh-II STPS or for reduction of capital cost of Barh-II STPS. Action taken by GRIDCO in this regard is to be furnished.
5. The details of power purchased from the different renewable sources are to be furnished for FY 2016-17, 2017-18 as per the format given below along with month-wise drawal for the FY 2018-19 (up-to-date).

For the FY.....			
State Consumption during the year	----- MU		
	RPO obligation as per Regulations	Achievement during the year (audited)	
	%	MU	%
Renewable Power Procurement			
(a) Solar			
(b) Non-solar			
(i) Small hydro			
(ii) Bio-mass			
Total			

6. GRIDCO is also to furnish the actual drawal of solar energy from different sources/plants for the FY 2016-17, 2017-18 & FY 2018-19 (up-to-date) indicating present installed capacity (MW).

7. Based on the proposal of GRIDCO, the Commission had approved 22 MU to be purchased from Wind Energy Sources during the FY 2018-19. Actual wind energy purchased during the current year is to be intimated.
8. As per the proposed procurement of Renewable Energy in the ARR application, GRIDCO can able to meet the RPO of only 5.16% against 11% fixed by the Commission for the FY 2019-20. The strategic planning of GRIDCO to meet the RPO needs to be explained. GRIDCO may also intimate about any pending proposal for purchase of power in near future from other renewable sources such as Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) and Bagasee based co-generation etc., along with the status of PPA to that respect.
9. In its ARR application GRIDCO has indicated that M/s. Vedanta Limited have failed consistently to supply the State entitlement of power to GRIDCO. It is further indicated that though the IPPs of M/s. Nava Bharat Ventures Limited and M/s. Ind-Barath Energy (Utkal) Limited have been commercially operated w.e.f. 30.11.2015 and 20.07.2016 respectively, they are yet to supply the State entitlement of power to GRIDCO. In the previous orders, the Commission had viewed that GRIDCO should secure compliance of the orders of the Commission to purchase State share of power from the IPPs as per the PPA for State interest. Action taken by GRIDCO to avail State share of power from the aforementioned IPPs is to be furnished. Whether the matter is taken up with the State Government or GRIDCO has gone to any court of law?
10. GRIDCO should furnish the details of existing/incoming IPPs to be commissioned in near future in the format given below:

Name of IPP and Place of Installation	Status of PPA	Installed capacity with configuration (as per PPA/ MoU)	No. of units already commissioned and date of commissioning	Proposed date of commissioning of balance units	State's share	Status of coal linkage	Status of connectivity (STU/CTU)

11. GRIDCO has proposed the tariff for Teesta power station at 232.60 p/u. Copy of CERC order in support of this is to be submitted.
12. GRIDCO is required to furnish supporting documents towards the tariff claimed for procurement of power from 3rd and 4th Units of OPGC.
13. The present price of the coal and its GCV (both domestic and e-auction/imported) used in different ER- NTPC stations (including TTPS) for the period for 2017-18 & 2018-19 (up to date) are to be submitted.
14. The amount received by GRIDCO towards STOA charges for the FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 (upto date) under PGCIL Transmission Charges is to be furnished.

15. Monthly pooled cost of power purchase by GRIDCO from the month of April 2018 to November 2018 along with cumulative figure up to November 2018 is to be furnished.
16. The following formats are not submitted along with the application. The same are to be filled in (for previous year/ current year/ ensuing year) and submitted to the Commission.
 - T – 1: Power purchased from Generators
 - T – 2: Schedule of Maintenance of Generators
 - T – 5: Tariff for OHPC
 - T – 6: Tariff for State Thermal Stations
 - T – 8: Power Purchase from Central Hydro Stations
 - T – 9: Tariff computation for central Sector Thermal stations
 - T – 10: Energy Charges Rate (ECR)
 - T – 11: Transmission tariff for PGCIL transmission system
 - T – 12: Transmission charges for central sector power
 - T – 13: Transmission Loss for PGCIL Transmission lines
 - T – 14: Year end charges for GRIDCO
 - T – 15: Power purchased by GRIDCO
 - T – 19: Summary of Deviation / Unscheduled Interchange

Finance

17. GRIDCO is to submit the Annual Report/Audited Accounts of FY 2015-16, FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18. Along with this also submit the soft copy of respective years Trial Balance and Lédger Accounts.
18. GRIDCO has submitted at Para 16 (ii) of the ARR application that, outstanding with DISCOMs is Rs.2901.35 as on 31.03.2017, whereas the same has been shown as Rs.2922.46 crore in OERC tariff format F-6. Such difference to be clarified.
19. GRIDCO may furnish the outstanding amounts due from each DISCOMs as on 31.3.2018 in the following format:
 - (a) Outstanding dues as on 31.3.2018.
 - (b) Bills of BSP dues from 01.4.2018 to 30.11.2018.
 - (c) Payments received against such bills and period.
 - (d) Any other receipts from DISCOMs during such period.
 - (e) Net outstanding dues of DISCOMs as on 30.11.2018.
20. It is seen from the submission that the gap arising from non-realization of dues from DISCOM Utilities is growing from year to year. The reason and steps taken to realize such outstanding from DISCOMs may be furnished inspite of Escrow Mechanism in place.
21. GRIDCO to furnish the agreed and signed joint reconciliation statement of total receivable and payable outstanding with each DISCOM under different head as per audited accounts as on 31.03.2018.

22. GRIDCO may furnish the Utility wise amounts received from the Utilities in the Escrow accounts and Escrow relaxation made thereof for the year 2017-18 and upto November, 2018.
23. GRIDCO may furnish the Audit report of Escrow account of Utilities for 2016-17 and 2017-18.
24. Cash flow statement (OERC format F-7) as submitted by GRIDCO, there is a negative closing balance of Rs. 325.37 crore of FY 2017-18. Whereas as per Balance sheet (OERC format F-15) there is a positive closing cash and bank balance of Rs.221.90 crore. GRIDCO to furnish the reason of above difference and submit the reconciliation statement of cash and bank balance in balance sheet as on 31.03.2018 and monthly cash flow statement of FY 2017-18.
25. GRIDCO to submit month wise cash flow statement for the financial year 2018-19 (upto November, 2018).
26. GRIDCO to submit Loan outstanding position with soft copy of loan repayment schedule of all loans as on 30.11.2018. Also furnish the details of loan availed during the financial years FY 2016-17 to 2018-19 (upto November 2018) as per prescribed format below:

Sources	Amounts	Rate of Interest	Date of Availed	Repayment period from -----to-----	Purpose
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27. GRIDCO to submit the following employee cost related information as per prescribed format given below:

(in Rupees)

Particulars	Actual for FY 2017-18	Actual for FY 2018-19 <i>(Month wise till Nov.2018)</i>
Basic & Grade pay actual paid		
DA paid		
HRA Paid		
Medical Allowance paid		
Other		
Total		

28. During past periods, the interest rate has been reduced consistently. What step has taken to swap high interest bearing loan? How much interest burden has reduced by swapping high interest bearing loan? GRIDCO to clarify.
