OERC Order (Protocol) on Power Regulation

With regard to the ongoing power shortage situation in the State, the GRIDCO had made a presentation to the Commission on 31.10.2011, wherein the present demand/supply situation in the State was stated to be at an average deficit of 400 MW and peak deficit of 700 MW. In its Order (Protocol) on Power Regulation in the State on 11th May, 2010 the Commission had issued the broad guidelines for management of supply of power under a power deficit situation. The broad modalities prescribed therein are applicable as and when a situation of mismatch of demand and supply arises. The order states that the SLDC, OPTCL and Distribution Companies will take appropriate steps for equitable distribution of power as stipulated under Section 23 of the Electricity Act, 2003.

Moreover, as per the Orissa Grid Code Regulation, 2006 – "In case of certain contingencies and/or threat to system security, the SLDC may direct a User to decrease its drawl by a certain quantum. Such directions shall immediately be acted upon."