

## TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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## Lr. No. TNERC/DE/DDE2/AD(SA)/F. Instructions toTANGEDCO/D. 1/23, Dt.16.10.2023.

Sir.

Sub.: TNERC – Non- acceptance of agriculture service connection application registered prior to 05.09.2020 for want of 0.5 acre land – Clarification issued - Regarding.

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I am directed to communicate the following:

Recently, several representations are being received from intending consumers complaining that the applications of agricultural service connection already registered by them before the notification of amendment in Distribution Code vide No. / TNERC / DC / 8-27 dt.16.7.2020 (w.e.f. 05-8-2020), is being rejected by the field officers, citing the criteria of minimum 0.5 acre specified in the said amendment.

## 2. In this regard it is clarified as below:

The Distribution Code sub-regulation 29(2)(b) and 29(2)(c) amended vide Tamil Nadu Government Gazette notification dated 05.08.2020 stipulating the eligibility of "the minimum extent of land to be irrigated from each well / bore well shall be 0.5 acre", came into effect only from the date of Gazette notification i.e., from 05.08.2020, but not retrospectively.

- 3. The criteria of minimum 0.5 acre is not applicable for all the agricultural service connection applications registered prior to the date of 05.08.2020.
- 4. Therefore the applications registered before 05.08.2020 shall be processed in a routine manner irrespective of extent of land.
- 5. TANGEDCO is directed to communicate this clarification of the Commission to the distribution field officials upto Section level and intimate to this Commission.

SECRETARY, TNERC. /4

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Copy to the Assistant Director / Computer / TNERC - Requested to webhost the above clarification in the 'Public notice' domain of TNERC website.