

BEFORE THE TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, CHENNAI

Order No T.O. 1 - 96 dated 03/11/2006

Present : Hon'ble Thiru S.Thangarathnam, Member
Hon'ble Thiru B.Jeyaraman, Member

**In the matter of : Hut service effected in Municipality area of Nilgiris
District of Coimbatore Region.**

As per the Tariff Order dt.15.3.2003, as amended in T.O. 1-71 dt.6.2.06, the LT Tariff I B is applicable to the **huts in village panchayats and special village panchayats** houses constructed under Jawahar Vela Vaippu Thittam TAHDCO, and Kamarajar Adi Dravidar Housing Schemes"

- (2) The TNEB in the letter cited have stated the following:
- (i) In order to implement the Distribution of Colour TV Scheme announced by the Government successfully in Nilgiris District, the TNEB have extended service connections to the **following beneficiaries** who are not covered under hut norms.
 - (a) The **huts** of beneficiaries in **Municipality areas (Gudalore and Nelliylam III grade Municipality and Ooty I Gr. Municipality)**
 - (b) **Houses** of the beneficiaries in Village Panchayat and Municipality
 - (c) So far 784 nos. of such services have been extended under LT Tariff I B.
 - (d) Some more services are to be effected when clearance from Forest Department is received.
 - (e) The service connections were extended departmentally without collecting service connection charges.
 - (ii) The action in having extended power supply to all the beneficiaries of colour TV scheme in Nilgiris under free category (LT Tariff I B) may be approved and ratified.
 - (iii) Tariff subsidy under section 65 of the Electricity Act 2003 would be claimed after ascertaining the number of services and connected loads.

- (3) After considering various aspects, the Commission orders the following:
- (a) The action of the Government in having extended the service connection under LT Tariff I B in Nilgiris District relaxing the existing norms for Hut service is approved and ratified subject to the following:
 - (i) The total connected load both in the huts and houses in Municipality areas and Village Panchayats to which service connection under Colour TV Scheme have been extended, shall not exceed 110 watts.
 - (ii) The TNEB shall install Load limiter for 110 W in all such services within six months.
 - (b) The TNEB is permitted to extend service connection to similar cases as and when clearance from Forest Department is received subject to the above conditions.
 - (c) The TNEB shall approach the Government of Tamil Nadu for capital subsidy towards the cost of extension of services including the cost of load limiters besides tariff subsidy.

(By Order of the Commission)

**Secretary
Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission**

To
The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, 800 Anna Salai, Chennai 600 002.