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NOTIFICATION

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No. H. 11019/3/18-JERC: In exercise of powers conferred under Section 50 read with Clause (x) of Sub-section (2) of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur & Mizoram hereby makes the following Regulations to amend the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur & Mizoram (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2013 (hereinafter referred to as “the Principal Regulations”), namely;

1. *Short title and commencement*

- (1) This Regulation may be called the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur & Mizoram (Electricity Supply Code) (Fourteenth Amendment) Regulations, 2021.
- (2) This Regulation shall extend to the whole States of Manipur and Mizoram and shall apply in relation to all matters falling within the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- (3) This Regulations shall come into force from the date of their notifications in the Official Gazette of the concerned States.

2. *Amendments in Regulation 4 of the Principal Regulations:*

- (1) Clause 4.2 of the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2013 shall be substituted as below:

4.2 The system of supply and voltage shall depend on the category of the consumer and the load as per details given in clauses 3.1 and 3.2 of this Code, subject to clause 3.5 of this Code. In case of LT supply to multi-storied building/building, where more than one consumer are accommodated, the licensee shall allow only one service line/main (1 phase or 3 phase as required by clause 3.2 & 3.5 of this code) from the nearest licensee’s distribution main to the consumer’s building. The service line/main may be

underground (UG) or overhead (OH) system. Such service lines/mains between electric pole/Licensee's outdoor Distribution Pillar (DP) and point of entry at consumer's premises shall be well protected from mechanical injuries and capable of catering future increase of power demand. In case, the licensee's distribution main runs along only on one side or zigzag along the street/road, consumer along/near that pole/DP shall, in general, avail power supply through UG system; Consumer on the opposite side or elsewhere can avail by Overhead system. However, whether to be UG system or OH system, agreement between licensee and consumer shall be final. However as and when the need for system change arises from Government, for clean/beautification of city/town/village, consumer will bear the full costs for such changes/modifications. There shall not be any joint in the service line/main. The **total length of service line using / by Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) wire shall be limited to 45 meters and with appropriate of size of wire / cable, base on connected load, accepted by the licensee shall be used. Beyond the aforesaid limit, service line shall be extended by overhead line using bare conductor or Arial Bunch Cable (ABC) as per department standard, the cost is to be borne by interested party(ies). There shall not be any type of joint(s) in the service wire (PVC cable) between tapping point on the pole and consumer's premises. However, in no case, the voltage drop in the service line (derived from 80% of connected load) shall exceed 1 percent declared supply voltage when measured at the outgoing terminals of the energy meter at consumer's premises, while the provision of clause 3.1(2) still prevails. Otherwise, installation of meter and MCB/CB shall be arranged as per clause 5.10 of this code.**

(2) Clause 4.3 of the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2013 shall be amended as below:

4.3 The licensee is responsible for ensuring that its distribution system is upgraded, extended and strengthened to meet the demand for electricity in its area of supply. Wherever the existing transformation capacity is loaded up to 75% of its capacity, the licensee shall take appropriate action for augmentation of capacity. However, new connection shall not be denied in such cases. **However, not to act in contravention to clause 4.2 above, but due to extreme urgent need for the consumer(s) and cannot wait for**

formal sanction from licensee for additional infrastructure, etc., the interested party(ies) shall bear/share the full cost of such works as decided by the licensee and decision of licensee shall be final. The interested party(ies) shall bear annual maintenance cost of such deposit works (dedicated infrastructure). However, the licensee shall not recover anything related to the capital cost of such works through tariff.

Provided that if the interested party(ies) do not afford to bear annual maintenance cost, the party(ies) may apply to the licensee to hand over the whole or part of the infrastructure to the licensee. The decision shall lie with the licensee to accept or reject whole or part of it and the decision taken by the licensee shall be final and binding. If taken over by licensee, the licensee shall be at liberty, for taken over portion only for determination of depreciation, O&M charge, etc., as per the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram (Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2014 with amendments thereof.

(3) Clause 4.130 of the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Manipur and Mizoram (Electricity Supply Code) Regulations, 2013 shall be amended as below:

4.130 The security deposit available with the licensee in respect of each consumer shall be shown in the bill issued to the consumer. Refund of security to the consumer by the licensee, as and when arises, shall be made through maximum of two electricity bills without any other formalities.

Provided that if the licensee switches over from postpaid billing system to prepaid billing system, the consumption security (load security) deposited by consumer during postpaid billing system shall be returned to the respective consumer with interest earned as per Clause 4.128 (if any) through a maximum of two billing months as advance recharge amount for prepaid system as load security deposit is not necessary as per clause 4.6 of this regulation.

By Order of the Commission



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