

# Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for UT of Jammu & Kashmir and UT of Ladakh



Order On 24-11-2023

**Approval of Business Plan & Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) for the period from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26, Aggregate Revenue Requirement from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26 and Retail Supply Tariff Determination for FY 2023-24**

**for**

**Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd and  
Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Ltd.**

**Jammu**

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**Before the  
Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for UT of Jammu & Kashmir &  
UT of Ladakh**

**Petition No.: JERC/P/18 of 2023 & JERC/P/9 of 2023**

**In The Matter of:**

Approval of Business Plan & Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) for the period from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26,  
Aggregate Revenue Requirement from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26 and Retail Supply Tariff  
Determination for FY 2023-24 for Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd and Kashmir Power  
Distribution Corporation Ltd.

**And**

**In The Matter of:**

Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd  
and  
Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Ltd

**Coram:**

**Shri. Lokesh D Jha, Chairman,  
Shri. Ajay Gupta, Member (Technical),  
Shri. Mohd. Rafi Andrabi, Member (Finance)**

**ORDER No. JERC/13 of 2023**

**(Passed on 24 November, 2023)**

1. This Order relates to approval of Business Plan & Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) for the period from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26, determination of Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) from FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26 and determination of Retail Supply Tariff (RST) for FY 2023-24 filed by the Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (herein after referred to as JPDCL or the Petitioner) and Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited (herein after referred to as KPDCL or the Petitioner) before the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Union Territory (UT) of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) & UT of Ladakh (hereinafter referred to as JERC or the Commission). The Petitions were filed as per the adopted regulations of JERC for the State of Goa and Union Territories, namely Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for the State of Goa and Union Territories (Generation, Transmission and Distribution Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2018.

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2. The Jammu & Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019 (herein after "J&K Reorganization Act" or "Reorganization Act") was enacted by the Parliament of India on 9th August 2019 wherein the State of Jammu and Kashmir was divided into Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir & Union Territory of Ladakh. Consequent to the enactment of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019 and repeal of the Jammu and Kashmir Electricity Act, 2010, the Central Electricity Act, 2003 was made applicable to the UT of Jammu and Kashmir and UT of Ladakh.
3. Consequent to the approval of State Administrative Council of J&K, the Power Development Department of Jammu and Kashmir (JK-PDD) was unbundled into several Power Corporations on 23rd October 2019 vide Government Order No. 191-PDD of 2019. The unbundling involved incorporation of JPDCL and KPDCL for handing the distribution business in Jammu and Kashmir respectively.
4. After constitution of the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for UT of Jammu & Kashmir & UT of Ladakh, the Commission vide Gazette Notification No. JERC-JKL/Tech-13/2021 dated 31st March 2021, notified "JERC for UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh (Adoption of various Regulations of JERC for the state of Goa and UTs) Regulations, 2021". The Commission adopted "Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for the State of Goa and Union Territories (Generation, Transmission and Distribution Multi Year Tariff) Regulations, 2018" (henceforth 'JERC MYT regulations, 2018') applicable for determination of tariff for all the Generation companies, Transmission Licensees and Distribution Licensees in UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh. Subsequently, the Commission through a Suo-Motu order dated 01.12.2021 extended the control period of JERC Goa and UTs MYT Regulations 2018 (which was applicable from FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22) to 5 years control period w.e.f FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26. Following due regulatory process, the Commission issued tariff order for FY 2022-23 vide its order dated 13.10.2022 in Order No JERC/6 of 2022 (in Petition No JERC/P/02 of 2022 and JERC/P/03 of 2022).
5. The Petitioners submitted the present Petitions on 17.05.2023 (JPDCL) and 20.05.2023 (KPDCL). On detailed analysis of the Petitions, the Commission observed several information gaps and discrepancies for which additional information was requested from the Petitioners vide Commission's letters dated 26.05.2023 (JPDCL) and 01.06.2023 (KPDCL). The Petitioners have responded to the data gaps as per the deficiency notes send by the Commission.
6. The Commission held Technical Validation Sessions with the Petitioners on 08.06.2023 (KPDCL) & 12.06.2023 (JPDCL). Subsequently, admission orders of the Petitions were issued on 14.07.2023 (JPDCL) and 10.07.2023 (KPDCL).
7. The Commission through its letters dated 14.07.2023 (JPDCL) and 10.07.2023 (KPDCL) directed the Petitioners to publish the gist of the Petition in the form of public notice and invite comments/objections/suggestions from the stakeholders.
8. The approved gist of the Petitions was published by the Petitioners in several widely read newspapers. A copy of the Petitions was also made available on the websites of the Commission and the Petitioners. The stakeholders were requested to submit their written comments/suggestions/ objections. The stakeholders were also given an option to be heard in person at the public hearings. Details of notice published by the Petitioners are given below.

Table 1: Details of Newspaper where notice regarding Comments/ Suggestions/ Objections was published

S. No.	Newspaper	Date of Publication
	JPDCL	
1.	Daily Excelsior	14.07.2023
2.	Amar Ujala	14.07.2023
	KPDCL	
3.	Rising Kashmir	14.07.2023
4.	Daily Excelsior	14.07.2023

9. Further, Jammu and Kashmir Power Corporation Ltd (JKPCL) submitted the Business Plan Petition for FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26 on 13.06.2023. The Commission decided to deal with the Business Plan Petition submitted by JKPCL through this order, as JKPCL is the sole agency looking after the job of power purchase for the distribution licensees in UT. The expenditure incurred on power purchases by JKPCL is considered as power purchase expenses of the Distribution Utilities (i.e. Petitioners), while determining the ARR of the Petitioners.

#### Public Hearings

10. In order to maintain transparency in the tariff setting process, the Commission involved the stakeholders by initiating a public consultation process to elicit their views on various aspects of the Petitions filed by the Petitioners. The Notice of Public hearings was published in Daily Excelsior and Daily Udaan on 25.07.2023 to provide open platform to consumers, stakeholder and interested parties.
11. Accordingly, Public hearings were held at Jammu (JPDCL) & Srinagar (KPDCL) as per the details summarized in the following table.

Table 2: Details of Public Hearings

Place/city	Date	Location
Jammu	08.08.2023	PWD , Conference Hall, Gandhi Nagar , Jammu
Srinagar	12.08.2023	Banquet Hall, Polo view , Srinagar

12. Various industrial organizations and consumer bodies attended the aforesaid public hearings and represented their interests. The comments/objections/suggestions received during the hearings have been duly considered while finalizing this Order.

#### Meeting of the State Advisory Committee

13. The Commission convened a meeting with the Members of the State Advisory Committee (SAC) on 29.08.2023 for the purpose of discussing the Petitions filed by the JPDCL and KPDCL along with tariff Petitions of other utilities.

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14. The Commission through a PowerPoint presentation provided a gist of the Petitions filed by the Petitioners.
15. Several issues were discussed during the SAC meeting, suggestions were made by the members of the Committee and other points discussed which have been noted and considered by the Commission in this Order.

**Business Plan for FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26**

16. As required under JERC MYT regulations, 2018, the Petitioners submitted the Business plan and MYT petition for FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26. The Commission has approved the Business Plan for JPDCL and KPDCL as per provisions mentioned under Regulation 8.4 of the JERC MYT Regulations, 2018. After prudent check, the Commission approves the capital investment plan, number of consumer number and its load, sales, distribution loss, power purchase expenses as provided in the Business Plan.

**Approved Aggregate Revenue Requirement and Revenue Gap for FY 2023-24**

17. The Commission has observed that the Petitioners have not submitted the audited account for past years, hence, the Commission directs the Petitioners to submit the audited account along with final true-up Petitions. In case of Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2023-24, after applying the prudent check to submission made by Petitioners, scrutiny of the ARR components & considering the distribution loss reduction trajectory, as approved by MoP under the RDSS Scheme, the Commission has approved the ARR for FY 2023-24 for JPDCL and KPDCL, as summarized in the table below:

Table 3: ApprovedARR, Revenue with Existing Tariff and Revenue Gap for FY2023-24 (Rs.Cr.)

Particulars	JPDCL	KPDCL
ARR components		
Power Purchase Expenses including Transmission Charges	2876.94	2815.31
OperationandMaintenanceCost	469.52	558.56
Intereston LongTermDebt		
Depreciation		
InterestonWorkingCapital		
Bad debts	47.31	36.50
ReturnonEquity	24.31	18.01
Less:Non-TariffIncome		
Aggregate RevenueRequirement	2.23	2.88
Less: Revenue from existing tariff	3416.14	3425.50
Revenuegap at existingtariff	2458.28	1800.78
	957.86	1624.72

**Approved Retail Supply Tariff for FY 2023-24**

18. The Commission has reviewed the tariff proposal submitted by JPDCL and KPDCL and noticed that even after proposed increase in tariff as requested by the Petitioners, there would be still revenue gap i.e. proposed tariff hike would not be able to cover entire revenue gap and there will be unmet revenue gap. The Petitioners have not submitted any proposal to meet the remaining revenue gap, after proposed tariff hike.
19. The Commission has observed that if the unmet revenue gap is to be met by increasing the tariff in Jammu license area and Kashmir license area uniformly, then there will be around

hike in present tariff of FY 2022-23, which will be a tariff shock for all categories of the consumers in the UT of J&K. The Commission has noted that as per Section 65 of the Act, if the State Government requires the grant of any subsidy to any consumer or class of consumers in the tariff determined by the State Commission, then the State Government requires to pay the same in advance. Power Development Department, J&K Government vide letter No. PDD-ACC/86/2022-04-PDD dated 26.05.2023 confirmed that UT Government has made budgetary provision for JPDCL and KPDCL under the relevant revenue Head during FY 2023-24.

20. Section 61 of the Electricity Act, 2003 provides guiding principles for tariff determination. The Commission is guided by the following while finalising the retail tariff:
  - a) safeguarding of consumers' interest and at the same time, recovery of the cost of electricity in a reasonable manner;
  - b) and the principles rewarding efficiency in performance.
  - c) In terms of Section 61(g) of the Act, the tariff should progressively reflect the efficient and prudent cost of supply of electricity.
21. The Commission notes that Electricity (Second Amendment) Rules 2023 notified by the MoP on 26.07.2023 recommends that the Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) loss reduction trajectory to be approved by the State Commissions for tariff determination shall be in accordance with the trajectory agreed by the respective State Governments and approved by the Central Government under any national scheme or programme
22. AT&C loss reduction trajectory up to 15% by FY 2019-20 was fixed by erstwhile JKSERC for turnaround of the power sector under the UDAY scheme. Further, similar target of AT&C loss reduction has been envisaged under Ministry of Power (MoP) scheme: Revamped Reforms-based and Results-linked, Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS). The Commission considers the distribution loss level for FY 2023-24 as approved by MoP, Government of India, under RDSS scheme, for JPDCL and KPDCL. Distribution loss is controllable parameter; the Petitioners should take immediate action to curb the high losses observed in their area of supply. The actual losses cannot be considered and inefficiencies cannot be passed on the consumers.
23. The Commission has observed that the present retail supply tariff effective in the UT of J&K is the tariff determined by the Commission for FY 2022-23. The Commission notes that restructuring and unbundling of Jammu and Kashmir Power Development Department into various power utilities to look after the Generation, transmission and Distribution business in UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh primarily aims towards initiating reform in the power sector to enable self-reliant and cost efficient operation of these corporations in generation, transmission and distribution business in the future. It is therefore imperative that the financial support / Grant-in-aid made available to such utilities during the initial stage needs to be gradually phased out over the period and the revenue requirement to run the business of these utilities shall be met through the tariff charged to the consumers.
24. The Commission noted the submission made by the utilities with regard to government decision of abolishing the Electricity Duty. The Commission decided to bridge the revenue gap with existing tariff partially with grant -in-aid being provided by J&K Government to the utilities and partially through reasonable hike in the tariff. Based on above understanding, the Commission arrived at a 'reasonable tariff hike scenario' which will not provide tariff shock to the consumers. The proposed increase of flat rate of unmetered consumer shall act as deterrent in continuing unmetered connection and reduce the resistance in adoption of prepaid smart meters.

25. In view of above, the Commission decided to factor-in the budgetary provision made by the UT Government of J&K to the extent of Rs 1943.46 Cr as an assured grant-in-aid support to the Petitioners (JPDCL & KPDCL) and construed it as tariff related revenue subsidy provided under Section 65 of the Act and approve the ARR, Revenue and moderate increase in tariff for FY 2023-24 to meet the un-met revenue gap considering uniform retail supply tariff across Jammu & Kashmir as shown in table below:

Table 4: Approved ARR, Revenue and Tariff increase for FY 2023-24 (Rs. Cr.)

Particulars	Amount for FY 2023-24
JPDCL and KPDCL ARR (Net) for FY 2023-24 after prudent check by Commission	6841.64
Revenue with Existing Tariff of FY 2022-23 for JPDCL & KPDCL for FY 2023-24	4259.05
Revenue Gap for FY 2023-24 with Existing Tariff	2582.59
State Government Grant –in -Aid (assured grant)	1943.46
Net Un-met Gap to be met through tariff revision in JPDCL & KPDCL area	639.12
Revenue for FY 2023-24 after revised tariff	4898.18
Revenue increase with revised tariff	639.12

26. **For clarity of the stakeholders, the Commission decided to provide two tariff i.e. Full Cost Tariff (Chapter 6 of detail tariff order ) without considering the grant –in –aid support from the UT government and Subsidized tariff ( Table 5 below) after factoring in the grant- in -aid support provided by UT of J&K Government. The Commission directs the JPDCL and KPDCL to implement the subsidized tariffs as per the subsidized tariff schedule given in Chapter 9 of tariff order with effect from 1st December 2023 (i.e. bills to be issued for energy consumption from 01.12.2023 onwards with approved tariff). A comparison of the existing tariff (FY 2022-23) along with the Commission-approved subsidized Tariff for consumers in JPDCL and KPDCL area for FY 2023-24 are summarised in the following table:**

Table 5: Category-wise Proposed and Approved Subsidized Tariff for FY 2023-24

S. No	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2022-23	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2023-24
1	<b>Domestic</b>					
a	Below Poverty Line (Consumption up to 30 units/month)			Below Poverty Line (Consumption up to 30 units/month)		
	Energy Charges	Rs./kWh	1.25	Energy Charges	Rs./kWh	1.40
	Fixed Charges	Rs./kW/month	5.00	Fixed Charges	Rs./kW/month	5.00
b	Metered			Metered		

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S. No	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2022-23	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2023-24
	Up to 200 units per month	Rs./kWh	2.00	Up to 200 units per month	Rs./kWh	2.30
	201-400 units per month	Rs./kWh	3.50	201-400 units per month	Rs./kWh	4.00
	>400 units per month	Rs./kWh	3.80	>400 units per month	Rs./kWh	4.35
	Fixed Charges	Rs./kW/month	8.00	Fixed Charges	Rs./kW/month	8.00
<b>c</b>	<b>Unmetered</b>			<b>Unmetered</b>		
	Up to 1/4 kW	Rs./month	175.00	Up to 1/4 kW	Rs./month	227.00
	>1/4-1/2 kW	Rs./month	400.00	>1/4-1/2 kW	Rs./month	520.00
	>1/2- 3/4 kW	Rs./month	600.00	>1/2- 3/4 kW	Rs./month	780.00
	>3/4 -1kW	Rs./month	800.00	>3/4 -1kW	Rs./month	1040.00
	Above 1 kW up to 2 kW	Rs./month	800+200 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof up to 2 kW	Above 1 kW up to 2 kW	Rs./month	1040+ 260 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof up to 2 kW
	Above 2 kW	Rs./month	1600+500 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof above 2 kW	Above 2 kW	Rs./month	2080 + 650 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof above 2 kW
<b>2</b>	<b>Non-Domestic/Commercial</b>					
<b>a</b>	<b>Metered Connection</b>			<b>Metered Connection</b>		
	<b>Single Phase</b>			<b>Single Phase</b>		
	Up to 200 units/month	Rs./kWh	3.10	Up to 200 units/month	Rs./kWh	3.55
	201-500 units/month	Rs./kWh	4.70	201-500 units/month	Rs./kWh	5.40
	>500 units per month	Rs./kWh	5.10	>500 units per month	Rs./kWh	5.85
	Three phase - for all units	Rs./kVAh	5.10	Three phase - For all units	Rs./kVAh	5.85
	Fixed Charges			Fixed Charges		
	Single Phase	Rs./kW/month	60.00	Single Phase	Rs./kW/month	60.00
	Three phase	Rs./kVA/month	130.00	Three phase	Rs./kVA/month	130.00
<b>b</b>	<b>Unmetered</b>			<b>Unmetered</b>		
	Up to 1/4 kW	Rs./month	500.00	Up to 1/4 kW	Rs./month	650.00

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S. No	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2022-23	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2023-24
	>1/4-1/2 kW	Rs./month	1000.00	>1/4-1/2 kW	Rs./month	1300.00
	>1/2- 3/4 kW	Rs./month	1500.00	>1/2- 3/4 kW	Rs./month	1950.00
	>3/4 -1kW	Rs./month	2000.00	>3/4 -1kW	Rs./month	2600.00
	Above 1 kW	Rs./month	2000+500 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof above 1 kW	Above 1 kW	Rs./month	2600 + 650 for every additional ¼ kW or part thereof above 1 kW
<b>3</b>	<b>State/Central Govt Department</b>					
	<b>Energy Charges</b>			<b>Energy Charges</b>		
	LT	Rs./kVAh	6.90	LT	Rs./kVAh	7.90
	11 KV* supply	Rs./kVAh	6.90	11 KV* supply	Rs./kVAh	7.90
	33 KV** supply and above		6.90	33 KV** supply and above		7.90
	<b>Fixed Charges</b>			<b>Fixed Charges</b>		
	For metered consumers	Rs./kVA/month	40.00	For metered consumers	Rs./kVA/month	40.00
	*2.5% rebate on energy charges.	*2.5% rebate on energy charges.		-	*2.5% rebate on energy charges.	
	**5.0% rebate on energy charges.	**5.0% rebate on energy charges.			**5.0% rebate on energy charges.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Agriculture</b>					
<b>a</b>	<b>Metered</b>			<b>Metered</b>		
	<b>Energy Charges</b>			<b>Energy Charges</b>		
	0-10 HP	Rs./kWh	0.80	0-10 HP	Rs./kWh	0.90
	11-20 HP	Rs./kWh	1.00	11-20 HP	Rs./kWh	1.15
	Above 20 HP	Rs./kWh	5.25	Above 20 HP	Rs./kWh	6.00
	<b>Fixed Charges for connected load</b>			<b>Fixed Charges for connected load</b>		
	0-10 HP	Rs./HP/month	20	0-10 HP	Rs./HP/month	20.00
	11-20 HP		25	11-20 HP		25.00
	Above 20 HP		45	Above 20 HP		45.00
<b>b</b>	<b>Unmetered</b>			<b>Unmetered</b>		

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S. No	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2022-23	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2023-24
	0-10 HP	Rs./HP/month	250.00	0-10 HP	Rs./HP/month	325.00
	11-20 HP	Rs./HP/month	275.00	11-20 HP	Rs./HP/month	357.00
	Above 20 HP	Rs./HP/month	1500.00	Above 20 HP	Rs./HP/month	1950.00
<b>5</b>	<b>Public Street Lighting</b>					
<b>a</b>	<b>Metered Connection</b>			<b>Metered Connection</b>		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kWh	7.50	Energy Charge	Rs./kWh	8.60
	Fixed Charge	Rs./kW	60.00	Fixed Charge	Rs./kW	60.00
<b>b</b>	<b>Unmetered connection</b>	Rs./kW/month or part thereof	3500.00	<b>Unmetered connection</b>	Rs./kW/month or part thereof	4550.00
<b>6</b>	<b>LT Public Water Works</b>					
	Energy Charge	Rs./kWh	7.50	Energy Charge	Rs./kWh	8.60
	Fixed Charge	Rs./kW/month	60.00	Fixed Charge	Rs./kW/month	60.00
<b>7</b>	<b>HT Public Water Works</b>					
<b>a</b>	<b>11 KV supply</b>			<b>11 KV supply</b>		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	7.10	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	8.15
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	250.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	250.00
<b>b</b>	<b>33 KV supply and above</b>			<b>33 KV supply and above</b>		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	7.00	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	8.05
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	250.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	250.00
<b>8</b>	<b>LT Industrial Supply</b>					
<b>a</b>	<b>LTIS - I (For all metered consumers except those covered under LTIS-II)</b>			<b>LTIS - I (For all metered consumers except those covered under LTIS-II)</b>		
	For consumers with connected load < 50 kW			For consumers with connected load < 50 kW		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	3.65	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.20
	Fixed Charge	Rs./kVA/month	60.00	Fixed Charge	Rs./kVA/month	60.00
	For consumers with			For consumers with		
	connected load > 50 kW			connected load > 50 kW		

S. No	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2022-23	Tariff Category	Unit	Approved Tariff for JPDCL & KPDCL FY 2023-24
	connected load > 50 kW					
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	3.65	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.20
	Fixed Charge	Rs./kVA/month	60.00	Fixed Charge	Rs./kVA/month	60.00
<b>b</b>	LTIS - II. (For all metered consumers and having load upto 15 HP)					
	Energy Charge	Rs./kWh	3.65			4.20
	Fixed Charge	Rs./kW/month	30.00			30.00
<b>9</b>	<b>HT Industrial supply</b>					
<b>a</b>	11 KV supply			11 KV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	3.60	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.10
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	175.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	175.00
<b>b</b>	33 KV supply and above.			33 KV supply and above.		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	3.50	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.00
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	175.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	175.00
	ToD Tariff applicable	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 10%	ToD Tariff	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 20%/10%
<b>10</b>	<b>HT PIU</b>					
<b>a</b>	11 KV supply			11 KV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.35	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.00
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00
<b>b</b>	33 KV supply			33 KV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./VAh	4.30	Energy Charge	Rs./VAh	4.95
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00
	ToD Tariff applicable	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 10%	ToD Tariff	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 20%/10%
<b>11</b>	<b>Bulk supply</b>					
<b>a</b>	11 KV supply			11 KV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.90	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.60
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00

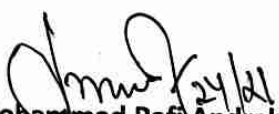
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<b>b</b>	33 KV and above			33 KV and above		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.85	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.55
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	225.00
	ToD Tariff applicable	ToD Tariff Applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 10%	ToD Tariff	ToD Tariff Applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 20%/10%
<b>12</b>	<b>Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station</b>			<b>Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station</b>		
<b>a</b>	LT supply			LT supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.10	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	7.00
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	100.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	0.00
<b>b</b>	11 kV supply			11 kV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.00	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	6.9
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	175.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	0.00
<b>c</b>	33 kV supply			33 kV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.90	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	6.80
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	150.00	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/month	0.00
	ToD Tariff	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 10%	ToD Tariff	ToD Tariff applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 20%/10%
<b>13</b>				<b>Traction</b>		
<b>a</b>	11 kV / 33 kV supply			11 kV / 33 kV supply		
	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	4.70	Energy Charge	Rs./kVAh	5.40
	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/Month	300	Demand Charge	Rs./kVA/Month	300
	ToD Tariff only for 33 kV	ToD Tariff Applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 10%	ToD Tariff only for 33 kV	ToD Tariff Applicable	Surcharge / rebate: 20%/10%

27. The Petitioners proposed to continue with the existing Time of Day (TOD) tariff without any modification in the charges. The Commission observes that MoP, GoI under the Electricity (Rights of Consumers) Amendment Rules, 2023 dated 14.06.2023, has proposed ToD tariff during peak hours as 20% higher than normal period tariff. The same is accepted by the Commission and surcharge is approved as 20%. TOD tariff will be applicable for HT consumers getting supply at 33 kV or higher level. The Commission directs the Petitioners to study the load curves of such consumers in their supply area and submit a report on impact of TOD tariff on load.

28. The Commission observes that Ministry of Power, Government of India issued "Charging Infrastructure for Electric Vehicles - the revised consolidated guidelines and standards" dated 14.01.2022. As per the para 7 of the said guidelines, with respect of EV charging tariff, it has been mentioned that tariff for supply of electricity to public EV charging station shall be single part tariff and shall not exceed the "Average Cost of Supply" till 31.03.2025. Accordingly, the Commission approves single part tariff for EV charging category.
29. The Commission has noticed that MoP, GoI, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) read with clause (z) of sub-section (2) of section 176 of the Electricity Act, 2003, has published Electricity (Promoting Renewable Energy Through Green Energy Open Access) Rules, 2022. Under the said rules, it has been mandated that the Electricity Regulatory Commissions should determine Green Power Tariff. The Commission decides to approve the green tariff as Rs 0.50/kWh, which will be paid by the willing consumers over and above the tariff rates applicable for their respective category.
30. The Commission noted that the MoP has directed the SERCs/ JERC for implementation of price adjustment formula recommended in Electricity (amendment) Rules 2022 . Accordingly, the Commission under the newly framed JERC for UT of Jammu & Kashmir and the UT of Ladakh (Generation, Transmission and Distribution, Multi Year Tariff), Regulations, 2023 have specified the 'Fuel and Power Purchase Adjustment Surcharge' formula. The Distribution Licensees and JKPCCL should take note of the same and act accordingly to implement the Fuel and Power Purchase Cost Adjustment formula in true spirit.
31. The Commission approves the schedule of miscellaneous Charges without any changes in existing charges, as requested by the Petitioners.

#### Implementation of the Order

32. The Commission has passed the present Order after admitting the Petitions of JPDCL and KPDCL with modifications and certain conditions. Henceforth, the Commission directs that this Order should be implemented along with directions given and conditions mentioned in the detailed Order and schedules attached. It is further ordered that the JPDCL and KPDCL are permitted to issue electricity bills to consumers in accordance with subsidized tariff schedule (Chapter 9 of detail tariff order ) provided with this Tariff Order.
33. This Tariff Order shall come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023 and shall remain valid up to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024, unless amended or modified or extended by an Order of this Commission. This tariff order would be valid unless a new tariff order is announced by the Commission. The Petitioners must take immediate steps for implementation and publication of this Order.
34. The Commission directs that this Order be implemented along with directions given and conditions mentioned in the detailed Order.
35. In exercise of the powers vested in it under Section 61 and Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Commission hereby passes this Order today i.e. on the 24 November, 2023.  
Ordered as above, read with attached detailed reasons, grounds and conditions.

  
(Mohammad Rafi Andrabi)  
MEMBER – Finance

  
(Ajay Gupta)  
MEMBER – Technical

  
(Lokesh D. Jha)  
CHAIRMAN

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Dated: 24-11-2023

Place: Jammu