



**ORDER
OF THE
WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

CASE FILE NO.: WBERC/A-35/2

**IN RE SUOMOTO ORDER OF WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION IN TERMS OF PARA 8.4 OF WEST
BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (TERMS
AND CONDITONS OF TARIFF) REGULATIONS, 2011, AS
AMENDED (IN SHORT 'TARIFF REGULATIONS') IN REGARD TO
NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION ON CHANGED MVCA/MFCA IN
PURSUANCE OF REGULATION 5.8.9 OF TARIFF REGULATIONS.**

**PRESENT:
SHRI SUJIT DASGUPTA, MEMBER**

DATE: 19.03.2014

Noting by Office or Advocate	Sl. No.	Date	Office notes, reports orders or proceedings with signature
		19.03.2014	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ORDER</u></p> <p>Whereas in terms of regulation 5.8.9 of WBERC (Terms and Conditions of tariff) Regulations, 2011 as amended (Tariff Regulations) the licensees and the generating companies in the State are recovering Monthly Variable Cost Adjustment (MVCA) and Monthly Fuel Cost Adjustment (MFCA) from the consumers and the purchasers of electricity respectively by which change of tariff is effected;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p>Whereas in terms of 4th Para of regulation 5.8.9 of tariff regulations the utilities are supposed to display the applicable MVCA or MFCA in their websites and, whenever there is any change in MVCA and MFCA the concerned licensee or the generating company is required to publish such information through two daily newspapers in the area of their operation;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p>Whereas it has come to the notice of the Commission that some of the licensees/generating companies are publishing such information, as mentioned above, in such daily newspapers that are not apparently widely circulated daily newspapers and as a result, most of the consumers are not being informed that such changed MVCA/MFCA is going to be charged in their electricity bills;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p>

			<p>Whereas any change in tariff is required to be widely circulated through publication in newspaper;</p> <p>Therefore, in view of above consideration and for the sake of transparency, interest of the consumers specifically and the electricity sector as a whole, the Commission in terms of regulation 8.4 of Tariff Regulations directs that henceforth all the licensees/generating companies under the purview of this Commission will publish information regarding change in MVCA or MFCA in terms of 4th Para of regulation 5.8.9 of Tariff Regulations in such daily newspapers which are widely circulated in the area of operation of the concerned licensee/generating company. Any deviation in this regard will be seriously viewed.</p> <p>Copy of this Order be served to all the licensees and generating company.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sujit Dasgupta Member</p> <p>Dated : 19.03.2014</p>
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