CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION NEW DELHI

Petition No. 234/GT/2020

Coram:
Shri I.S. Jha, Member
Shri Arun Goyal, Member
Shri Pravas Kumar Singh, Member

Date of Order: 1st September, 2023

IN THE MATTER OF:

Corrigendum to the order dated 15.6.2023 in Petition No. 234/GT/2020.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

Petition for truing-up of tariff of Rajiv Gandhi CCPP, Kayamkulam (359.58 MW) for the period 2014-19.

IN THE MATTER OF

NTPC Limited NTPC Bhawan, Core-7, Institutional Area, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003

... Petitioner

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Kerala State Electricity Board Limited, Vaidyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram – 695004

...Respondent

ORDER

The Commission vide its order dated 15.6.2023 in Petition No. 234/GT/2020 had trued-up the tariff of Rajiv Gandhi CCPP, Kayamkulam (359.58 MW) ("the generating station") for the period 2014-19.

2. It is however noticed that certain inadvertent arithmetical errors (linkage errors) have crept in our order dated 15.6.2023, while considering the values for capital spares and its impact thereof. The capital spares already included in the capital cost, were erroneously considered while allowing capital spares on consumption basis.



Therefore, in terms of the Regulation 111 read with Regulation 103A of the CERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations 1999, these inadvertent errors are being rectified, as stated in the subsequent paragraphs.

Capital Spares

3. Accordingly, the table under paragraph 63 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Total capital spares consumed	161.64	787.31	48.14	13.03	35.10
claimed					
Total capital spares consumed	161.64	787.31	45.36	9.03	35.10
(not part of capital cost)					
Less: Value of capital spares below	14.15	7.87	2.09	1.08	1.50
Rs.1.00 lakh disallowed on individual					
basis					
Net total value of capital spares	147.49	779.44	43.27	7.96	33.60
considered					

4. Also, the table under paragraph 64 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

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	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Net total value of capital spares considered	147.49	779.44	43.27	7.96	33.60
Less: Salvage value @ 10%	14.75	77.94	4.33	0.80	3.36
Net capital spares allowed	132.74	701.50	38.94	7.16	30.24

5. The O&M expenses claimed and allowed under paragraph 78 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Normative O&M expenses claimed	5275.04	5605.85	5958.24	6332.20	6731.34
under Regulation 29(1)(a) of the 2014					
Tariff Regulations (a)					
Normative O&M expenses allowed	5275.04	5605.85	5958.24	6332.20	6731.34
under Regulation 29(1)(a) of the 2014					
Tariff Regulations (b)					
Water Charges claimed under	5.00	5.00	0.63	0.97	0.92
Regulation 29(2) of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (c)					
Water Charges allowed under	5.00	5.00	0.63	0.97	0.92
Regulation 29(2) of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (d)					

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Capital Spares consumed claimed	161.64	787.31	48.14	13.03	35.10
under Regulation 29(2) of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (e)					
Capital Spares consumed allowed under	132.74	701.50	38.94	7.16	30.24
Regulation 29(2) of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (f)					
Total O&M expenses claimed under	5441.68	6398.16	6007.01	6346.21	6767.35
Regulation 29 of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (a + c + e)					
Total O&M expenses allowed under	5412.78	6311.06	5999.11	6340.34	6762.51
Regulation 29 of the 2014 Tariff					
Regulations (b + d + f)					
Impact of Wage revision claimed	0.00	38.61	806.07	950.32	1069.77
Impact of Wage revision allowed	0.00	38.61	806.07	876.40	788.61
Impact of GST claimed	0.00	0.00	0.00	67.26	101.05
Impact of GST allowed	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Interest on Working Capital

Maintenance Spares for working capital

6. Maintenance spares for working capital as allowed under paragraph 92 of the order stands modified, as under:

				(Rs. in lakh)
2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1623.83	1893.32	1799.73	1902.10	2028.75

Receivables for working capital

7. Receivables equivalent to two months of capacity charges and energy charges as allowed under paragraph 93 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Variable Charges - for two months	55655.79	55808.27	55655.79	55655.79	55655.79
(A),corresponding to NAPAF					
Fixed Charges - for two months (B)	4772.19	4948.08	4888.42	4949.45	5028.50
corresponding to NAPAF					
Total (C = A+B)	60427.99	60756.35	60544.21	60605.24	60684.29

Working Capital for O&M Expenses (1 month)

8. Also, the Working capital for O&M expenses allowed under paragraph 96 of the order stands modified, as under:



(Rs. in lakh)

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2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
451.07	525.92	499.93	528.36	563.54

Rate of interest on working capital

9. Accordingly, Interest on working capital allowed under paragraph 97 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

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	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Working capital for Fuel Cost (30 days	27447.11	27447.11	27447.11	27447.11	27447.11
generation corresponding to NAPAF)					
(A)					
Working capital for Liquid Fuel Stock	13723.55	13723.55	13723.55	13723.55	13723.55
(15 days generation corresponding to					
NAPAF) (B)					
Working capital for Maintenance	1623.83	1893.32	1799.73	1902.10	2028.75
Spares (30% of O&M expenses) (D)					
Working capital for Receivables	60427.99	60756.35	60544.21	60605.24	60684.29
(2 months of sale of electricity at					
NAPAF) (E)					
Working capital for O&M expenses	451.07	525.92	499.93	528.36	563.54
(1 month of O&M expenses) (F)					
Total Working Capital	103673.54	104346.25	104014.53	104206.36	104447.24
(G = A+B+C+D+E+F)					
Rate of Interest (H)	13.50%	13.50%	13.50%	13.50%	13.50%
Interest on Working Capital	13995.93	14086.74	14041.96	14067.86	14100.38
$(I = G \times H)$					

Annual Fixed Charges for the period 2014-19

10. Based on the above, the annual fixed charges approved in the table under paragraph 98 of the order stands modified, as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Depreciation	1933.55	1946.28	1944.47	1944.50	1944.38
Interest on Loan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Return on Equity	7290.90	7344.37	7344.96	7343.99	7363.71
Interest on Working Capital	13995.93	14086.74	14041.96	14067.86	14100.38
O&M Expenses	5412.78	6311.06	5999.11	6340.34	6762.51
Total	28633.16	29688.46	29330.49	29696.69	30170.98

11. Except for the above, all other terms in order dated 15.6.2023 remain unaltered.

Sd/- Sd/- Sd/(Pravas Kumar Singh) (Arun Goyal) (I.S. Jha)
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