

SOUTH BIHAR POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED

Vidyut Bhawan-I, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Patna – 800021

Public Notice

Request for comments/suggestions/objections from General Public
and Stakeholders.

IN RESPECT OF

Petition for True up for FY 2015-16, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2016-17 and Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2017-18 filed by South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (SBPDCL) before the Hon'ble Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission (BERC)

1. Notice is hereby given to all consumers, stakeholders and general public that the South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited has filed the Petition for True up for FY 2015-16, under BERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2007, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2016-17 and Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2017-18 under Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission (Multi Year Distribution Tariff) Regulations, 2015 along with the other guidelines and directives issued by the BERC from time to time and under Section 45, 46, 47, 61, 62, 64 and 86 of The Electricity Act 2003 read with the relevant guidelines
2. The filing of petition has been taken on record by the Hon'ble Commission in Case No. 46 of 2016.
3. Abridged form of the petition referred to at Para 1 above are indicated below:

Table 1: ARR and Revenue Gap Projected in True up for FY 2015-16

(Rs. Crore)

Sr. No	Particulars	Approved in Tariff Order for FY 2015-16	Approved in Annual Performance Review for FY 2015-16	Actuals as on FY 2015-16
1	Purchase of power	4,142.44	4,178.98	4935.55
2	PGCIL & Other transmission charges	316.39	389.31	457.07
3	BSPTCL transmission charges	129.43	129.43	131.33
4	UI purchases		22.98	58.25
5	O & M Expenses (a+b+c+d)	403.52	374.19	400.33
	a. Employee expenses	278.90	270.11	277.27
	b. R&M expenses	86.74	49.31	68.86
	c. A&G expenses	32.46	48.88	46.63
	d. Holding company expenses allocated	5.41	5.89	7.57
6	Depreciation	11.29	-	51.61
7	Interest on normative debt and other Finance charges	50.82	34.63	328.47
8	Return on equity	69.16	69.16	145.01
9	Interest on SD		-	33.99
10	Deposit for RPO obligation	32.70	-	175.44
11	Less: IDC	5.83	9.19	-
12	Interest on working capital	103.07	62.20	91.72
13	Prior period charges/income			419.74
14	Total Revenue requirement (1 to 13)	5,252.99	5,251.70	7,228.51
15	Less: Non-tariff income	217.88	245.00	154.08
16	Less: Expenditure disallowed due to excess T&D Losses	1,065.70	1,110.67	1,772.56
17	Net Revenue requirement (14-15-16)	3,969.40	3,896.04	5301.87
18	Revenue from Existing tariff	2,990.94	3,221.83	3,202.37
19	Revenue from sale of power-Nepal			-
20	Gross Gap / (Surplus) (17 -18 -19)	978.46	674.21	2099.50
21	Add: Recovery of Gap/(Surplus) of past period upto FY 2013-14 as per TO dated 16.03.2015	(642.92)	(642.92)	-
22	Net Gap / (Surplus) before subsidy	335.54	31.29	2099.50
23	Subsidy from State Government	1,260.74	2,842.00	2,811.16
24	Subsidy used for disallowed power	1,065.70	1,110.67	1,772.56
25	Subsidy available for revenue gap (23-24)	195.04	1,731.33	1,038.60
26	Net Gap / (Surplus) after subsidy (22-25)	140.51	(1,700.05)	1060.90

Table 2: Unrecovered Gap for FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16**(Rs.Crore)**

True up FY 2014-15	
Revenue gap approved in true up for FY 2014-15	736.96
Interest for FY 2014-15 (SBI PLR @ 14.75%) for 6 months	54.35
Interest for FY 2015-16 (SBI PLR @ 14.75%) for 12 months	108.70
Total unrecovered gap for FY 2014-15	900.01
True up FY 2015-16	
Revenue gap in True up for FY 2015-16	1060.90
Interest for FY 2015-16 (SBI PLR @ 14.75%) for 6 months	78.24
Interest for FY 2016-17 (SBI PLR @ 14.75%) for 12 months	156.48
Total unrecovered gap for FY 2015-16	1295.62

Table 3: Revenue Requirement for FY 2016-17**(Rs. Crore)**

S. No.	Particulars	Projected APR for FY 2016-17
1	Power purchase cost	5712.56
2	PGCIL & other transmission charges	
3	State Transmission charges	
4	O&M Expenses	
i)	Employee Cost	320.49
ii)	R&M expenses	68.86
iii)	A&G expenses	51.89
5	Share of Holding Company expenses	8.33
6	Depreciation	190.02
7	Interest and Finance charges	376.04
8	Interest on working capital	50.15
9	Return on equity	205.78
10	Income Tax	0.00
11	Interest on security deposit	26.71
12	Prior period	0.00
13	Bad debts (if any)	0.00
14	Contingency reserves (if any)	0.00
15	Total Revenue Requirement	7010.83
16	Less: Non-tariff income	169.49
17	Aggregate Revenue Requirement	6841.34

Table 4: Net ARR & Revenue Gap for FY 2016-17

(Rs. Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	Amount
1	Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR)	7010.83
2	Less : Non-Tariff Income	169.49
3	Add : Recovery of revenue gap / (Surplus) of past period, if any(FY 2014-15)	900.01
	Add : Recovery of revenue gap / (Surplus) of past period, if any (FY 2015-16)	1295.62
4	Net ARR	9036.97
6	Less : Revenue from Existing Tariff	3648.21
7	Less : Revenue from sale of power to other Agency	0.00
8	Gap (4–5–6)	5388.76
9	Total grant from State Govt.	2416.00
10	Net Gap/(Surplus) at existing tariff (8–11)	2972.76

Table 5: Net ARR for FY 2017-18

(Rs. Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	FY 2017-18
1	Power purchase cost	7041.47
2	PGCIL & other transmission charges	0.00
3	State Transmission charges	0.00
4	O&M Expenses	
i)	Employee Cost	380.57
ii)	R&M expenses	132.29
iii)	A&G expenses	57.40
5	Share of Holding Company expenses	9.16
6	Depreciation	205.54
7	Interest and Finance charges	622.40
8	Interest on working capital	67.73
9	Return on equity	333.97
10	Income Tax	0.00
11	Interest on security deposit	29.90
	Prior period	0.00
12	Bad debts (if any)	0.00
13	Contingency reserves (if any)	43.13
14	Total Revenue Requirement	8923.12

S. No.	Particulars	FY 2017-18
15	Less: Non-tariff income	186.44
16	Aggregate Revenue Requirement	8736.69

Table 6: Deficit with carrying cost

(Rs. Crore)

Deficit with carrying cost	
Revenue gap in APR for FY 2016-17	2972.76
Interest for FY 2016-17 (SBI PLR @ 14.05%) for 6 months	208.84
Interest for FY 2017-18 (SBI PLR @ 14.05%) for 12 months	417.67
Total unrecovered gap for FY 2016-17	3599.27

Table 7: Revenue Gap/(surplus) projected for FY 2017-18

(Rs. Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	FY 2017-18
1	Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR)	8923.12
2	Less : Non-Tariff Income	186.44
4	Net ARR	8736.69
5	Less : Power Purchase Cost disallowed, if any	0.00
6	Less : Revenue from Existing Tariff	4511.94
7	Less : Revenue from sale of power to other Agency	0.00
8	Gap (4-5-6)	4224.75
9	Total grant from State Govt.	0.00
10	Gap/(Surplus) at existing tariff (8-9)	4224.75
11	Add : Recovery of revenue gap / (Surplus) of past period, if any(FY 2016-17)	3599.27
12	Total revenue gap	7824.02

4. Copies of the filing and petition referred to at para-1 above are available in the office of the Chief-engineer (Commercial) , SBPDCL, 2nd Floor, Vidyut Bhawan-I, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Patna and also in the offices of all Electric Supply Areas viz PESU Area Patna, Magadh Electric Supply Area Gaya, Bhagalpur Electric Supply Area Bhagalpur, Central Electric Supply Area Patna and at offices of all Electric Supply Circles. Copy of the complete petition is available at official website of the petitioner i.e www.sbpdc.in and at Commission's website www.berc.co.in.

5. Interested persons may obtain copy of the said petition from either of the offices referred at Para 4 above on payment of Rs 500 for each copy complete petition. However to inspect and peruse the said petition and take note thereof during office hours at any of the said offices person need not pay any charge.
6. Objections / Suggestions, if any, on the said petition with supporting materials may be filed with the **Secretary, Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission, Ground Floor, Vidyut Bhawan – II, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Patna – 800021** in person or through registered post as so to reach him on or before **24.02.2017**.
A copy of the same shall be served on to the Chief Engineer (Commercial), South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited, 2nd Floor, Vidyut Bhawan-I, Patna – 800021 and proof of serving the same must be enclosed with the filing made to the Secretary, Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission.
7. The objections / suggestions sought as above should be filed in six copies and carry full name and postal address of the person sending the objections. If the objection is filed on behalf of any organization or any class of consumers, it should be so mentioned.
8. Changes proposed in Tariff structure, Tariff rates for Retail Sale of electricity, existing and proposed and changes proposed in Terms and Conditions of Tarff by SBPDCL for FY 2017-18 are shown in Schedule (A).
9. The Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission shall conduct public hearings on the dates and places as shown in Schedule – B.

Place: **Patna**

for South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited

Date: _____.

Chief Engineer (Commercial)
2nd Floor, Vidyut Bhawan-I
Patna – 800 021

Proposed Tariff Schedule for FY 2017-18

Distribution companies proposed to reduce the number of tariff categories, sub-categories and energy slabs, i) to simplify the existing tariff structure, ii) bring in a progressive tariff structure that helps promote efficiency, and iii) rationalise tariffs for the ease of consumers in the State.

1. Changes proposed by DISCOMs in Tariff Structure

- i. To remove Monthly Minimum Charges for all consumer categories.
- ii. To introduce two part tariff for all metered consumer categories
- iii. To switch to kVAH based billing for LTIS, PWW and Street lighting categories
- iv. Apart for a few categories such as Kutir Jyoti, DS-I and Agriculture, move to a Maximum Demand based billing for recovering fixed charges from all other metered consumers.
- v. **Other proposals:**
 - a. **Kutir Jyoti:** Urban and Rural KJ categories are proposed to merge into a single category and to increase the energy slab from 30 Units to 50 Units per month.
 - b. **Domestic:** It is proposed to merge all other sub-categories with in DS-II and DS-III under a new DS-II sub-category.
 - c. **Non-Domestic:** It is proposed to merge all other sub-categories with in Non-Domestic under one category of NDS and Urban and Rural categories also to be merged.
 - d. **Irrigation & Agriculture:** the Existing differentiation of Urban and Rural categories is proposed to be removed.
 - e. **L.T. Industrial:** It is proposed to merge all sub-categories into a single LTIS category ad no differentiation is to be retained in terms of single and three phase supply.
 - f. **Public Water Works & Street Lights:** It is proposed to merge the PWW and Street light service categories into a single newly formed category of Public water works and Street lights.

2. Tariff Rates for Retail Sale of Electricity Existing and Proposed for FY 2017-18

Sl. No.	Category	Fixed Charges		Energy Charges		Proposed Consumption Slab/Month	Proposed Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)
		Existing Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Existing Consumption Slab/Month	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)		
(A)	Low Tension Supply						
1.0	Domestic Service						
1.1 (i)	Kutir Jyoti KJ (Rural) (a) Unmetered	Rs. 60/conn./month	Unmetered Rs.350/conn./Month	-	NIL		NIL
	(b) Metered (30 Units/Month)	NIL	Metered	0-30 Units Remaining units, rate as per DS-I metered.	170	0-50 Units Remaining units, rate as per DS-I metered.	540
1.1 (ii)	Kutir Jyoti (Urban) (30 units/month) Metered Only	NIL	Rs.70/KW/month	0-30 Units Remaining units, rate as per DS-II metered.	205		
1.2	DS-I Connected load up to 2kW						
(a)	Unmetered	Rs. 170/conn./month	Rs.500/kW./month	-	NIL		NIL
(b)	Metered	NIL	Rs.80/KW/Month	0-50 Units 51-100 Units Above 100	210 240 280	0-50 Units 51-100 Units Above 100	550 620 780
1.3	DS-II (Urban) and Rural above 2 kW-Metered Only		DS-II, DS-II(D), DS-III are merged into one category of DS-II				
(a)	Single Phase	1 st kW -	Rs.90/KW/month	1-100 Units	300	1-100 Units	630

Sl. No.	Category	Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Energy Charges	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)	Proposed Consumption Slab/Month	Proposed Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)
		Existing Fixed Charges		Existing Consumption Slab/Month			
	(up to 7 kW)	Rs. 55/month Addl. kW – Rs. 15/kW/month		101-200 201-300 Above 300	365 435 545	101-200 201-300 Above 300	750 790 810
(b)	Three Phase (5 kW and above)	1 st 5kW – Rs.250/month Addl. kW – Rs. 15/kW/month		1-100 Units 101-200 201-300 Above 300	300 365 435 545		
1.3.1	DS-II(D) (optional) Demand Based Tariff						
	Single Phase (contract demand upto 7 KW)	First kW- Rs. 60/ kW per month Additional kW- Rs. 20 / kW/month		1-100 Units 101-200 201-300 Above 300	300 365 435 545		
	Three Phase (Contract demand of 5 kW to 70 kW)	First 5 Kw- Rs. 300/month Additional kW- Rs. 20/kW/month		1-100 Units 101-200 201-300 Above 300	300 365 435 545		
1.4	DS – III (Metered)	Rs. 55 per kW per month or part thereof		All Units	435		
2.0	Non-Domestic Services (NDS)		NDS-I, NDS-II, NDS-III, NDS-IV are merged into one category of NDS				
2.1	NDS-I (Rural)- Load up to 2 kW						
	(a) Unmetered	Rs. 230/conn./ Month	Unmetered Rs. 550/kW /Month	-	NIL		NIL
	(b) Metered	NIL	Metered	1-100 Units 101-200	240 280		

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		Existing Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Existing Consumption Slab/Month	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)			
				Above 200	320	1-100 Units	Metered 710 760 880	
2.2	NDS-II (Metered Only)		Rs. 190/kW/ Month			101-200		
(a)	Single Phase (Load 0.5 kW)	Rs. 100/month		1-100 Units	515	Above 200		585
(b)	Three phase (Load above 0.5 kW and upto 7 kW)	Rs. 180/kW/month		1-100 Units	515	Above 200		585
(C)	Single Phase (Demand based) Optional Contract demand of 1 kW to 7 kW	Rs. 215/kW/month		1-100 Units	515	Above 200		585
(d)	Three Phase Demand based Contract Demand of 5kW to 70kW	Rs. 250/kW/ Month		1-100 Units	515	Above 200		585
2.3 (a)	NDS-III (Temple etc.) Single Phase	Rs. 80/kW/month Min. Rs. 165/conn./month		1-100 Units	315	Above 200		485
(b)	Single Phase (Demand based) Optional Contract demand of 1 kW to 7 kW	Rs. 95/kW/month		1-100 Units	315	Above 200		485
(c)	Three Phase (Optional)- Demand based Contract Demand 5kW to 70kW	Rs. 95/kW/ month		1-100 Units	315	Above 200		485
3.0	Irrigation			Rural and Urban				

Sl. No.	Category	Fixed Charges		Energy Charges			
		Existing Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Existing Consumption Slab/Month	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)	Proposed Consumption Slab/Month	Proposed Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)
	Agricultural Service (IAS)		are merged into one category				
3.1	IAS-I (Private)						
	(i) Unmetered a. Rural Feeders b. Urban Feeders	Rs. 120/HP/ month Rs. 160/HP/ Month	Rs. 950/HP/ Month		X X		X
	(ii) Metered a. Rural Feeders b. Urban Feeders	X X	Rs. 30/HP/ month	All Units	110 170	All Units	560
3.2	IAS-II (State Tube Wells)						
	(i) Unmetered a. Rural Feeders b. Urban Feeders	Rs. 900/HP/ month Rs. 1000/HP/ month	Rs. 2520/HP/ month		X X		X
	(ii) Metered a. Rural Feeders b. Urban Feeders	X X	Rs. 700/HP/ Month	All Units	615 715	All Units	620
4.0	Industrial LTIS		LTIS-I and LTIS-II are merged into one category				
4.1	LTIS-I (Connected load up to 25 HP)	Rs. 85/HP/ Month	Rs. 200/kW/ Month	All Units	550	All Units	605/kVah
4.1.1	LTIS-I (D) (Demand based tariff) (Optional) Contract Demand Upto 19 kW	Rs. 135/kW/ month		All Units	550		
4.2	LTIS-II (D)	Rs. 175/kW/		All Units	585		

Sl. No.	Category	Fixed Charges		Energy Charges		Proposed Consumption Slab/Month	Proposed Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)
		Existing Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Existing Consumption Slab/Month	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/Unit)		
	(Demand based) Contract Demand above to 19kW)	month					
5.0	Public Water Works (PWW) (up to 99 HP)	Rs. 205/HP/month	PWW and STL are merged to single category Unmetered Rs. 375/100W/Month Metered Rs. 500/kW/Month	All Units	700	All Units	720/kVah
6.1	SS-I (Metered Supply)	X		All Units	700		
6.2	SS-II (Unmetered Supply) i) Gram Panchayat ii) Municipality iii) Corporation	Rs.270/100W/month Rs.360/100W/month Rs.440/100W/month		X X X			

B. High Tension Supply

Sl. No.	Category	Fixed Charges		Energy Charges		
		Existing Fixed Charges	Proposed Fixed Charges	Consumption Slab/Month	Existing Energy Charges (Paise/kVah)	Proposed Energy Charges (Paise/kVah)
(B)	High Tension Supply					
7.1	HTS-I (11kV/6.6kV)	Rs. 270/kVA/month	Rs.300/kVA/month	All Units	530	690
7.2	HTS- II (33kV)	Rs. 270/kVA/Month	Rs.300/kVA/Month	All Units	510	680
7.3	HTS-III (132kV)	Rs. 270/kVA/Month	Rs.300/kVA/Month	All Units	500	670
7.4	HTS-IV (220kV)		Rs.300/kVA/Month	All Units	500	500
7.4	HTSS (33kV/11kV)	Rs. 700/kVA/Month	Rs.700/kVA/month	All Units	295	370

8.0	Railway Traction Service(RTS) 132kV	–	Rs. 240/kVA/Month	Rs. 280/kVA/Month	All Units	515	635
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- Note:**
- FPPCA Charges: Fuel and Power Purchase Cost Adjustment (FPPCA) charges as applicable will be charged extra.**
 - The above tariff rates have been proposed considering no subsidy from the State Govt.**

3. Changes proposed in terms and conditions of tariff:

<u>Existing</u>			<u>Proposed</u>																	
LT Tariff			LT Tariff																	
<p>Rebate for prompt payment The due date for making payment of energy bills or other charges shall be 15 days from the date of issue of the bill. Rebate will be allowed for making payment of energy bills on or before due date specified in the bill as given below:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>i</td> <td>Kutir Jyoti (Unmetered)</td> <td>Rs.2/- per connection per month.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii</td> <td>DS-I and NDS-I (Unmetered)</td> <td>Rs.3/- per connection per month.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii</td> <td>Agricultural and Irrigation pump sets (Unmetered)</td> <td>Rs.5/- per HP/month</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iv</td> <td>Street Lights (Unmetered)</td> <td>Rs.3/- per connection/month</td> </tr> <tr> <td>v</td> <td>All metered categories</td> <td>10 paise per unit, on units billed</td> </tr> </table> <p>In case a consumer makes full payment after due date but within 10 days after the due date, no DPS shall be leviable for this period but rebate for prompt payment will not be admissible.</p>			i	Kutir Jyoti (Unmetered)	Rs.2/- per connection per month.	ii	DS-I and NDS-I (Unmetered)	Rs.3/- per connection per month.	iii	Agricultural and Irrigation pump sets (Unmetered)	Rs.5/- per HP/month	iv	Street Lights (Unmetered)	Rs.3/- per connection/month	v	All metered categories	10 paise per unit, on units billed	<p>Rebate for prompt payment The due date for making payment of energy bills or other charges shall be 15 days from the date of issue of the bill. To motivate the consumers to make timely payment of the bills it is proposed to provide a rebate of 1.5% on the billed amount for timely payment of the bills for all the consumers served in LT category.</p> <p>In case a consumer makes full payment after due date but within 10 days after the due date, no DPS shall be leviable for this period but rebate for prompt payment will not be admissible.</p>		
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			<p>New Terms and Conditions proposed</p> <p>1. Demand based Tariff</p> <p>The billing demand shall be the maximum demand recorded during the month or 85% of the contract demand whichever is higher (minimum demand shall be taken as 1kW). If in any month the recorded maximum demand of the consumer exceeds 110% of the contract demand, that portion of the demand in excess of the contract demand will be billed at twice the normal charges. Demand for levying of fixed charge to be taken as maximum of actual demand or 85% of connected load. And in case the MD is recorded at more than 110% of</p>																	

	<p>Contracted Load more than thrice a year, the Contracted Load is proposed to be revised to the recorded MD. For unmetered consumers however, fixed charges to be currently billed on connected load basis;</p> <p>It is to be noted that the above capping of minimum demand for 1kW shall not be applicable for NDS consumer having load upto 0.5kW.</p> <p>2. Rebate for online payment</p> <p>To motivate the consumers to make online payment of the bills through online web portal of the petitioner it is proposed to provide a rebate of 1% of the billed amount in addition to rebate @ 1.5%. However, online payment rebate shall be applicable if the consumer makes the payment within due date in full. In case a consumer makes full payment after due date but within 10 days after the due date, no DPS shall be leviable for this period but rebate for prompt payment will not be admissible.</p>
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<u>Existing</u> HT Tariff	<u>Proposed</u> HT Tariff
<p>Rebate for Prompt Payment</p> <p>The due date for making payment of energy bills or other charges shall be 15 days from the date of issue of the bill.</p> <p>The tariff rates are subject to prompt payment rebate of 1 (one) paise per unit on units billed provided the bill is paid by due date specified therein. If the consumer makes full payment after due date but within 10 days after due date, no DPS shall be leviable for this period but rebate for prompt payment will not be admissible.</p>	<p>Rebate for prompt payment</p> <p>The due date for making payment of energy bills or other charges shall be 15 days from the date of issue of the bill. To motivate the consumers to make timely payment of the bills it is proposed to provide a rebate of 1.5% on the billed amount for timely payment of the bills for all the consumers served in HT category.</p> <p>In case a consumer makes full payment after due date but within 10 days after the due date, no DPS shall be leviable for this period but rebate for prompt payment will not be admissible.</p>
	<p>New Terms and Conditions proposed</p> <p>1. Rebate for online payment</p> <p>To motivate the consumers to make online payment of the bills through the online web</p>

	portal of the petitioner it is proposed to provide a rebate of 1% of the billed amount in additional rebate of 1.5%. However, online payment rebate shall be applicable if the consumer makes the payment within due date in full.
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(4) Miscellaneous and General Charges

The proposed changes have been uploaded on the Licensees websites and that of Commission website.

(5) Fuel and Power Purchase Cost Adjustment Formula

No changes proposed.

(6) New Proposals

1. **Prepaid Meters:** DISCOMs requested the Commission to allow to provide prepaid meters for general consumers also, with meter rent.
2. **Compulsory Demand based tariff for all 3 Phase consumers:** DISCOMs proposed to cover all LT three phase consumers under Demand Based tariff.
3. **Uninterrupted DC:** DISCOMs Prepared as detailed below:

The supply-demand mismatch is handled by the DISCOM by resorting to load-shedding in select areas. In these areas, the power is cut resulting into a “black-out,” while in other localities, the power supply continues unconstrained. Load-shed localities are rotated every few hours, so that no one suffers more than the others and the shortage is distributed. An alternative approach would be to not carry out 100% load shedding in any area, but allow part of the power to continue to flow on the distribution line. If the load-shedding is carried out to the extent of 90% power, while 10% power continues to be fed from the grid (use of brown-out instead of black-out), the demand-supply mismatch can as easily be handled. The approach, referred to as Uninterrupted DC (UDC), would continue to supply a LIMITED amount of power to each home during brown-out. Under UDC project in the premises a device called UDPM will be installed before energy meter. The UDPM Implementation At homes, the 230V / 90V AC line now feeds UDPM (Uninterrupted DC Power Module). The output from this box would drive 2 circuits (power-lines):

A 48V DC line on which will be allowed a maximum of 100 W and services DC devices. A 230 V AC line, fed through existing AC meter, to service all the AC devices.

The UDPM is designed to cut-off the AC line, when the input voltage 90V AC (implying brown-out). However, during normal power situation, with input being close to 230V AC, both lines are ON. The UDPM device will be installed before existing energy meter.

This project is being implemented by IIT Madras through REC. South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited has adopted UDC as Pilot project in Sasaram , Bikranganj, Dehri, Bhabhua & Buxar Town. In this regard quadripartite agreement signed by the government of BIHAR, SBPDCL, REC & IIT Madras.

This project is carried out by the Discom. It is to be mentioned that after completion of the project there will be no variation in the tariff rates proposed for FY 2017-18.

SCHEDULE – B

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

ON

The Petition for True up for FY 2015-16, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2016-17 and Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2017-18 filed by South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (SBPDCL)

Sl. No.	Place	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Bhagalpur (Alongwith Munger)	20.02.2017	11:00 A.M	Conference Room of Divisional Commissioner, Bhagalpur
2.	Gaya	23.02.2017	11:00 A.M	Collectorate's Conference Room, Gaya
3.	Patna	27 & 28 Feb. 2017	11:00 A.M	Court Room of the Commission's office.

**Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Commercial),
SBPDCL**