

**JHARKHAND STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
RANCHI**

Suo-Motu Case No. **12** of **2011**

Shri **Mukhtiar Singh**, Chairperson

Dated: **12th November 2011**

ORDER

Counsel as Amicus Curie : None

Counsel for the Commission : Shri Sudarshan Shrivastava, Advocate

For the JSEB : Shri B. S. Jha, GM (Special Trans. Project), JSEB
Shri N. K. Ojha, EEE (Trans.), JSEB
Shri Sanjay Kumar, EEE, Ranchi Central, JSEB
Shri A. K. Singh, EEE (C&R), Ranchi Circle, JSEB
Shri Mukul Kumar AEE (Coml.), JSEB
Shri Pramod Kumar Sinha, Legal (C&R), JSEB
Shri Rakesh Lakhotia, DDA (Rev.), JSEB
Shri Rajesh Kumar Mandal, AEE (S&D), JSEB

For the State Government : Shri Vinod Kumar Mishra
Dy. Secretary, Energy Deptt.

1. As regards the construction of Data Centre Building which will be used for collection of data for energy auditing is concerned, the licensee JSEB informs in writing that Data Centre Building has been constructed up to lilten level and the work is likely to be completed by 15th of December 2011. Earlier, the licensee JSEB has informed that the Data Centre will be completed by November 2011 shows that the project is getting delayed. Likewise, earlier it was informed by the JSEB that DTR meters would be received by the licensee JSEB by December 2011. But today they inform that the total number of DTR meter 5380 Nos. will be delivered by June 2012.

Again there is a slippage of six months in the delivery of meters. The Commission again directs the licensee JSEB to adhere the time lines, so that the work of energy audit in the designated towns is taken up in the right earnest.

On the supply of electricity, the licensee JSEB has furnished some more information, but here again the information is not complete. The Commission has directed to supply information district wise. But the licensee JSEB today supplied information of some distribution Sub-Stations which does not give the clear-cut picture of duration of supply of power to various districts. The licensee JSEB may collect the information circle wise and compile at the G.M level and then explain the supply of power so that the district wise position becomes clearer. This information should be given on the next date of hearing.

On the tripping of electricity, the licensee JSEB has pointed out that in Sahibganj district the tripping were more because the Sub-Station was over loaded. It has further said that an additional power transformer of 5 MVA has been charged yesterday that is 11.11.2011 and now the power situation has improved. There is no scientific data given in the written reply which may show that there is improvement. The licensee JSEB is directed to collect the necessary data, compare the two and then only come to conclusion.

For Dumka also, the licensee JSEB informed that 100 MVA power transformer will be installed in Dumka to take care of the frequent tripping. Here again, it is not disclosed by which date the 100 MVA power transformer will be installed in

Dumka. The licensee JSEB is directed to furnish this information on the next date of hearing.

Regarding forest clearance of Loherdaga, Latehar and Palamu transmission line, Shri Gaya Shukla, Chief Engineer (Transmission) undertook to ensure to send the 2nd stage proposal to forest department by 22.10.2011. That date has already gone. Neither Mr. Shukla appeared today nor sent any petition to explain why he is not present. Issue a Show-cause notice under Sec. 142 of the Electricity Act 2003 to Mr. Gaya Shukla, Chief Engineer (Transmission) JSEB for not complying with the directives of the Commission in respect of submitting the proposal to the forest department for their clearance. Shri Shukla should file the show cause on the next date of hearing. Shri Jha said that one part of the proposal has already been submitted to the Forest Department, but the other part is yet to be submitted. The Commission has time and again underlined the importance of the transmission line in question and has assured all assistance. Despite that officials of the licensee JSEB are not adhering to their own timelines, which clearly reflect casualness on the part of the officials concerned. However the Commission again directs that the remaining proposal should be sent to the Forest Department in the next two weeks.

The Commission is glad to know that the issue with the ECL for supply of power to Dumka area is sorted out and expects that licensee JSEB will put in place all the necessary arrangements, so that continuous power supply is assured to Dumka area.

As regards the 11th projects of BRGF is concerned, the licensee JSEB has stated that they are persuading the State Government of Jharkhand to make provisions of funds towards development of transmission and distribution network and is also exploring to complete the necessary scheme by mobilizing its own resources. The State Government as well as the licensee JSEB is directed to inform the Commission about the progress made in this behalf on the next date of hearing.

On the pending dues, the JSEB has submitted information according to which 650 Cr. are pending dues against various Government departments and authorities. The JSEB points out that this information has been send to the Government yesterday itself with the request that the budgetary provisions be made for clearance of these dues. The representatives of the Governments Shri V.K. Mishra, Dy. Secretary, Energy, who was present during the course of hearing said he is not aware about the information. However he will find out and try to take steps to take up the matter with various departments for clearance of these pending dues. The Commission had earlier directed that the meeting of all the Government department and authorities be held at the level of Secretary Energy and it was done. Some progress also was made but actual realization is yet to materialize. The Commission fees that a meeting at the Chief Secretary level of all departmental heads may go a long way in finding a solution to the pending dues. The Government representative will inform the Energy Secretary accordingly so that he may take up the issue with the Chief Secretary.

Regarding private consumers, the JSEB informs that about Rs.190.63 Cr. is pending against various consumers. On the last date, the licensee JSEB has informed

that these were litigated dues. But the JSEB licensee has not informed in which court these cases are pending. It is also not known whether these cases have been pursued in right earnest. The licensee JSEB is directed to give details where the litigated amount pending and since how long.

Put up on **15.12.2011** at **11:30 A.M.**

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Chairperson