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TARIFF APPROVED FOR ASSAM POWER GENERATION COMPANY LIMITED (APGCL), ASSAM ELECTRICITY GRID CORPORATION LIMITED (AEGCL), STATE LOAD DISPATCH CENTRE (SLDC) & ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED (APDCL) FOR FY 2019-20, APPLICABLE WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1, 2019

- 1) The Commission had last revised the tariffs of APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL with effect from April 1, 2018, vide the Tariff Orders dated March 19, 2018. APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL filed their Petitions for approval of Truing Up of Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2017-18, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2018-19 and determination of ARR for MYT Control Period FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22 and Tariff for FY 2019-20, which were admitted by the Commission on December 10, 2018. AEGCL also filed for approval of ARR for MYT Control Period FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22 and Tariff for FY 2019-20 for SLDC function.
- 2) Public Notices, giving summary of their proposals in the Petitions, were issued by APGCL, AEGCL, and APDCL inviting objections/suggestions from stakeholders. A Public Hearing was held by the Commission on 12th February 2019 at Assam Administrative Staff College, Guwahati. The Commission, after considering all representations and issues raised during the Hearing and through written submissions, has issued the Tariff Orders for FY 2019-20, on March 01, 2019. The revised tariffs for APGCL, AEGCL, SLDC and APDCL shall come into force from April 1, 2019.
- 3) The Commission has approved the generating station-wise ARR and Tariff of APGCL for FY 2019-20. The Commission has approved the generation tariff of Rs. 3.28 per kWh for FY 2019-20 as against the generation tariff of Rs. 3.64 per kWh proposed by APGCL.
- 4) The salient features of the Commission's Order for AEGCL are as follows.
 - a) The Commission has approved the ARR of AEGCL for FY 2019-20 at Rs. 360.84 Crore as against the ARR of Rs. 425.68 Crore proposed by AEGCL. The Commission has approved the Transmission Charge of Rs. 0.37 per kWh for FY 2019-20 as against the Transmission Charge of Rs. 0.41 per kWh proposed by AEGCL. The Commission has approved the SLDC charges of Rs. 49.99/MW/day as against the SLDC charges of Rs. 84.71/MW/day as proposed by AEGCL.



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- b) The Bulk Supply Tariff charged on the energy handled by AEGCL for Contribution to the Pension Fund, has been reduced from 20 paise/unit to 15 paise/unit. The benefit of reduction has been passed on to all category of the consumers under APDCL.
- 5) The salient features of the Commission's Order for APDCL are as follows:
- a) The Commission has approved the standalone revenue requirement of Rs. 5340.71 crore for FY 2019-20, as against Rs. 6419.18 crore proposed by APDCL. The Commission approved revenue requirement of Rs. 5423.95 crore after truing-up of FY 2017-18, as against Rs. 5574.68 crore proposed by APDCL.
 - b) After considering the Revenue Gap/(Surplus) on account of truing up of FY 2017-18 for APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL including carrying cost, along with the Revenue Surplus of APDCL for FY 2019-20, the combined Revenue Surplus for APDCL works out to Rs. 195.91 crore for FY 2019-20.
 - c) The Average Cost of Supply (ACOS) for FY 2019-20 works out to Rs. 7.05 per kWh, as against APDCL's proposal of Rs. 9.73 per kWh and existing effective ACOS of Rs. 7.35 per kWh.
 - d) The Commission has created the following two additional consumer tariff categories to be applicable from the date of issuance of this Order
 - i. Electric Vehicles Charging Stations (LT and HT)
 - ii. HT Railway Traction
 - e) The Commission observed that around 62% of the ARR of APDCL comprises of fixed costs. However, only 14% of the total revenue is recovered through Fixed/Demand Charges. Hence, the Commission has marginally increased the Fixed/Demand Charges for some HT Categories.
 - f) As there is an overall reduction in ACoS, the Commission has reduced the Energy Charges for all categories of consumers by different levels in order to
 - i. pass on the benefit of cumulative surplus for FY 2019-20
 - ii. partly/fully offset the increase in Fixed/Demand Charges for certain HT categories
 - iii. rationalise the cross-subsidy in line with the Tariff Policy



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- g) Night off-peak rebate has been retained to Rs. 1.50 per kWh, in order to incentivise HT industrial consumer categories to shift more of their consumption to night off-peak hours, thereby increasing the utilisation of power within the State.
- h) A rebate of 3% and 1.5% in the Energy Charges has been retained for taking supply at 132 kV and 33 kV, respectively, for all consumers.
- i) The existing and revised category-wise tariffs applicable for APDCL for FY 2019-20 with effect from April 1, 2019, have been given in the Annexure enclosed.
- j) APDCL shall levy category-wise tariffs after adjusting the amount of category-wise subsidy, if provided by the Government of Assam, as at present.



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Annexure: Category-wise tariff for APDCL's consumers applicable with effect from April 1, 2019

Sl. No.	Consumer Category	Existing Tariff		Increase/(Decrease) in Tariff		Revised tariff	
		Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)	Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)	Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)
	LT Category						
LT-1	Jeevan Dhara 0.5 kW and 1 kWh/day*	20*	4.60	No change	(0.05)	20*	4.55
LT-II	Domestic A- below 5 kW						
	0 to 120 units per month	40	5.45	No change	(0.05)	40	5.40
	121 to 240 units per month	40	6.70	No change	(0.05)	40	6.65
	Balance units	40	7.70	No change	(0.05)	40	7.65
LT-III	Domestic-B 5 kW and above up to 25 kW	40	7.30	No change	(0.05)	40	7.25
LT-IV	Commercial Load above 0.5 kW and up to 25 kW	120	7.90	No change	(0.30)	120	7.60
LT-V	General Purpose Supply	135	6.80	No change	(0.30)	135	6.50
LT-VI	Public Lighting	120	6.65	No change	(0.05)	120	6.60
LT-VII	Agriculture upto 25 kW	40	4.65	No change	(0.05)	40	4.60
LT-VIII(i)	Small Industries Rural up to 25 kW	40	5.20	No change	(0.05)	40	5.15
LT-VIII(ii)	Small Industries Urban up to 25 kW	50	5.45	No change	(0.05)	50	5.40
LT-IX	Temporary Supply						
	Domestic	80	9.44	No change	(0.05)	80	9.39
	Non-Domestic Non-	125	11.54	No change	(0.05)	125	11.49



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		Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)	Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)	Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth)	Energy Charges (Rs. per kWh)
	Agriculture						
	Agriculture	50	5.19	No change	(0.05)	50	5.14
LT-X	LT Electric Vehicles Charging Stations					120	5.40
	HT Category						
HT-I	HT Domestic above 25 kW (30 kVA)	40	7.30	No change	(0.05)	40	7.25
HT-II	HT commercial above 25 kW (30 kVA)	145	8.00	15	(0.40)	160	7.60
HT-III	Public Water Works	135	6.40	No Change	(0.05)	135	6.35
HT-IV	Bulk Supply above 25 kW (30 kVA)						
HT-IV(i)	Government Educational Institutions	130	6.80	No Change	(0.05)	130	6.75
HT-IV(ii)	Others	170	7.65	No Change	(0.15)	170	7.50
HT-V(A)	HT Small Industries above 25 kW (30 kVA) and upto 50 kVA	60	5.90	No Change	(0.05)	60	5.85
HT-V(B)	HT Industries-1 50 kVA to 150 kVA	130	6.55	10	(0.15)	140	6.40
HT-V(C)	HT Industries-II above 150 kVA (Option 1)	180	7.20	20	(0.30)	200	6.90



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	HT Industries-II above 150 kVA (Option 2)	300	6.50	No change	(0.05)	300	6.45
HT-VI	Tea, Coffee & Rubber	230	7.20	20	(0.30)	250	6.90
HT-VII	Oil & Coal	300	7.80	No change	(0.05)	300	7.75
HT-VIII	HT Irrigation Load above 25 kW (30 kVA)	60	6.15	No change	(0.05)	60	6.10
HT - IX	HT Temporary Supply	160	9.20	No change	(0.05)	160	9.15
HT - X	HT Electric Crematorium	160	4.50	No change	(0.05)	160	4.45
HT - XI	HT Railway Traction	-	-	-	-	300	6.45
HT-XII	Electric Vehicles Charging Station					160	6.90

Notes:

1. \$\$ - These are Base Tariffs; Additional ToD tariffs have been detailed in the Tariff Schedule
2. The Fixed Charges for LT Temporary and HT Temporary are respectively on Rs/kW/Day and Rs/kVA/Day basis as detailed in the Tariff Schedule
3. *- Jeevan Dhara Fixed Charge is Rs per connection per month