

KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Present : Shri. R. Preman Dinaraj, Chairman
Adv. A J Wilson, Member

OP No.14/2022

In the matter of : Condonation of delay in filing the petition of ARR&ERC for
the Control Period from 01-04-2022 to 31-03-2027
Petitioner : M/s Kanan Devan Hills Plantations Company Private Limited

Order dated 23-02-2022

1. Instant petition is for condoning the delay in filing the petition of ARR&ERC for the Control Period from 01-04-2022 to 31-03-2027 by M/s Kanan Devan Hills Plantations Company Private Limited (hereinafter referred to the licensee or the petitioner). As per Regulation 10(1)(i) of the KSERC (Terms and conditions for determination of Tariff) Regulations 2021, the petition for approval of ARR&ERC, and capital investment plan for each year of the control period is to be filed by the licensee on or before 31-12-2021. The licensee has filed petition for approval of ARR&ERC for the control period 01-04-2022 to 31-03-2027 vide letter dated 24-01-2022, which was received on 31-01-2022 in the Office of the Commission. Since there was a delay of 30 days in filing the petition, the Commission had intimated the licensee with regard to same vide letter dated 07-02-2022. The licensee vide letter dated 10-02-2022 has filed petition for condonation of delay along with prescribed fees.
2. In the delay condonation petition, the licensee states that the last date for filing the petition for truing-up of Cost and Revenue for the year ended 31st March 2021 and on account of the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, the date of filing for many of the statutory filings with other authorities has also overlapped with the date of filing the ARR-ERC petitions. The licensee further states that, the petitioner was ready the petition for filing only on 24th January 2022 and filed the same over post on 27th January 2021. Therefore, there was a delay of 26 days beyond the last date stipulated in the regulations for submission of the petition.
3. The Commission examined the matter and the reasons given by the licensee for condoning the delay. As per the provisions of the Regulations, petition for approval of ARR&ERC and capital investment plan for each year of the control period is to be filed by the licensee on or before 31-12-2021. There is a delay of 30 days in filing the petition. The Commission after considering the matters relating to the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic, is of the view that the delay can be condoned.

Orders of the Commission

4. After considering the matter in detail, the Commission hereby condones the delay of 30 days in the filing and admit the petition on ARR&ERC for the control period 01-04-2022 to 31-03-2027 of the licensee for further processing.

Sd/-
Adv. A. J. Wilson
Member (Law)

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Preman Dinaraj
Chairman

Approved for issue

Sd/-
Secretary