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FOR MANIPUR AND MIZORAM  
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**No. H. 11019/27/21-JERC**

**Dated Aizawl, the 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2024**

**MINUTES OF THE 26<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF MIZORAM**

Venue : Aijal Club, Conference Hall, Aizawl.  
Date & Time : 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 (Wednesday), 11:00 a.m.

The list of members and participants who attended the Meeting is appended.

Mr.R.Thanga, Chairperson of the Commission was the Chairman of the Committee and welcomed the members of the Committee and the special invitees. Item wise discussion on the agenda was held as below:

**1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of State Advisory Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2023:**

The Chairman requested the members whether they have doubts on the minutes of the Meeting and after due affirmation from the members, the minutes was declared confirmed.

**2. Review of Action taken on the minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of State Advisory Committee, Mizoram:**

**(a) Public Awareness and Vigilance Report etc:**

Professor H.Lalramnghinglova stated that street lights in Aizawl city are not being taken care properly and suggested that co-ordination should be made between AMC and P&E Department. Er.Lalhmingliani Hmar, Secretary, P&E Department, etc also stated as street lights maintenance in Aizawl has been handed over to AMC, AMC and Local Council co-ordination is very much required as P&E Department has no role to play. Pu Lallunghnema supported the proposal for constituting the co-ordination committee. Er.Benjamin L.Tlumtea, Member of the Commission also stated that AMC should have competent man power to handle street lights.

The Committee, therefore, recommends constituting Co-ordination Committee between P&E Department and AMC and action taken report of the Committee should be submitted to the Commission before the next State Advisory Committee Meeting.

**(b) Contracted Load and Connected Load:**

Er.Lalhmingliani Hmar, Secretary, P&E Department etc. informed the Committee that the Department has undertaken electric safety week and talks on TV shows with print media coverage etc. on informing the public on various areas of electricity including awareness on Contracted Load and Connected Load. Er.H.Zonunsanga, E-in-C, P&E Department also informed the Committee that on the back page of electricity bill there is a clear clarification. Professor H.Lalramnghinglova enquired how outstanding dues of LAD and PHE bills are paid. Er.Benjamin L.Tlumtea, Member, JERC (M&M) replied that bills are paid on end of financial year. Er.Lalrinzuala Ralte, SE, Aizawl WATSAN Circle representing E-in-C, PHE Department also informed the Committee that the quarterly bills served by the P&E Department were processed but the Finance Department does not release the bills for quarterly payment. Pu Lallunghnema, Member recommends that this is a serious issue as huge surcharges are paid by the Government and proposes representative of Finance Department to be included in the State Advisory Committee Member.

**3. Prepaid Metering and Smart Metering:**

Er.Lalhmingliani Hmar, Secretary, P&E Department etc. informed the meeting that smart metering system is being done in Zarkawt, Aizawl area but configuration of the system could not be done due to technical issues and could not give timeline as to when the system will work and said that the department will look into this matter.

**4. Meter Testing Facilities:**

Portable / Mobile Testing Kits for Meters has been installed in various places of Mizoram and so far 7232 Meters has been tested. Mr.R.Thanga, Chairperson, JERC (M&M) requests the P&E Department to submit list of Stationery Meter Testing Units along with Portable Testing Kits to the Commission.

**5. Function Wise Budget and Corporatization:**

Er.H.Zonunsanga, E-in-C, P&E Department stated that function wise budget along with proposal for re-structuring of the P&E Department into function wise-3 Business Strategic Unit has been submitted to the Government and so far no information has been received. Professor H.Lalramnghinglova also added that the Government should be requested to quickly take step for Corporatization of the Department. Mr.R.Thanga, Chairperson, JERC (M&M) also stated that this is for the greater benefit of the general public and it has impact in the determination of different tariff. Pu Vanlalruata, Member also suggested that the State Advisory Committee should write to the Government. Pu Thanglura, Member also supplemented on this issue recommending the suggestion.

**6. Consumer Grievance Redressal System:**

Er.H.Zonunsanga, E-In-C, P&E Department informed the Committee that the constitution of Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum has been published in Vanglaini for awareness to the public. Er.Benjamin L.Tlumtea, Member, JERC (M&M) also supplemented that Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum has been constituted at Aizawl and Consumer Grievances Redressal Forums have been constituted in all district headquarters and Internal Grievances Redressal Cell in all sub-divisional level. Pu R.Thanglura, Member stated that the grievances of the electricity consumers are not being redressed properly due to several bottleneck in the procedure. Er.H.Thanthianga, Chief (Engineering), JERC (M&M) informed that proper procedure has been laid out in the Regulation and that redressal of the grievances is not a difficult process. The Committee recommends that more awareness should be made to the public on this issue.

**7. Determination of Retail Tariff of P&E Department for FY 2024-25:**

Power point presentation on the ARR & Tariff Petition was given by Er.Lalramnghaka, EE (Commercial), P&E Department. Er.Benjamin L.Tlumtea, Member, JERC (M&M) also highlighted important points of the petition. Er.H.Thanthianga, Chief (Engineering), JERC (M&M) mentioned that in case if the budgetary support of the Government are not paid quarterly in advance, it shall be required to implement Full Cost Tariff. Pu R.Thanga, Chairperson, JERC (M&M) also mentioned that Ministry of Power, Forum of Regulators etc. are very vigilant on this issue. Pu Thanglura, Member commented that lots of improvement has taken place in the Department. Pu Vanlalruata, Member stated that cost of employees is too high and this should be reduced as it effects the tariff. Pu Lallunghnema, Member enquired who has the final authority on fixing of tariff. Er.H.Thanthianga, Chief (Engineering), JERC (M&M) informed the Committee that the Commission has the final authority on fixing of Tariff. He further stated that there is no proposal for hiking the present Tariff in the Tariff Petition and the additional fund requirement amounting to Rs. 211.23 Crore or 27.01% of the final ARR whichever is less for meeting the ARR over and above revenue collection from sale of power with existing tariff is to be given as Tariff Subsidy by the State Government.

The Committee ended at 4:00 p.m. with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

Sd/- R.THANGA  
Chairperson

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3. PS to Secretary, P&E Department, Gov't of Mizoram for kind information to the Secretary and for taking necessary action on the Minutes of the Meeting.
4. All Members / Invitees of the State Advisory Committee for kind information and for taking necessary action on the Minutes of the Meeting.
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(RICHARD ZOTHANKIMA)  
Secretary