

## Before the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission Chennai

## Suo-motu Order No. 2 of 2024, dated 13-02-2024.

Present:

Thiru M.Chandrasekar

Chairman

Thiru K. Venkatesan

Member

Thiru B.Mohan

Member (Legal)

In the matter of:

Notification of Threshold Limit for award of Transmission Projects

through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) process.

In exercise of powers conferred by Sections 61, 63 & 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Central Act, 36 of 2003) and in pursuance to Clause 5.3 of the Tariff Policy, 2016, Clauses 5.3.10 & 5.8.9 of the National Electricity Policy, 2005 notified by the Government of India and the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in their judgement dated 23-11-2022 in C.A.No. 1933 of 2022 and all other powers hereinto enabling in that behalf, and after public consultation, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby passes this order.

2. The Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission hereby decides a threshold limit and accordingly all new and augmentation of Intra-State transmission projects of Rs.200 Crores (Two hundred Crores only) and above shall be executed through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) process in accordance with the guidelines to be issued by the State Transmission Utility, viz. TANTRANSCO.

Provided that the mode of execution of transmission projects (TBCB or cost plus basis) of 400 kV and above voltage level may be decided by the STU in consultation with the Government of Tamil Nadu on case to case basis.

Provided further that transmission projects of strategic importance, as identified by STU in consultation with Government of Tamil Nadu may be executed on cost plus basis.

- 3. The STU in consultation with the Government of Tamil Nadu may take steps for bundling/packaging of projects to be executed under TBCB, creation of payment security mechanism, development of single window clearing mechanism, formulation of Standard Bidding Document (SBD) and selection of Bid Process Coordinator (BPC) in line with the SBD & guidelines issued by the Ministry of Power, Government of India from time to time. STU shall frame guidelines in this regard and notify the same within two months from the date of issue of this order. Further, the STU in consultation with the Government of Tamil Nadu may also appoint the monitoring agency to monitor the projects to be executed under this process without any cost overrun and time overrun.
- 4. The Commission may revise the threshold limit through special order, as and when required, based on suggestions from STU/Government of Tamil Nadu through a consultative process.

5. This order shall take effect from 13-02-2024.

(By order of the Commission)

Secretary,

Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission

To

1. The Chairman, TANTRANSCO

2. The CMD/TANGEDCO.