Subject: MERC Clarificatory Order dt. 29/01/2016 in the matter of Tariff Order dt. 26/06/2015 in Case No. 121 of 2014.
- Corrigendum to Commercial Circular No. 243 dt. 03/07/2015.

Reference:

1. MERC Tariff Order dt. 26/06/2015.
2. Commercial Circular No. 243 dt. 03/07/2015.
3. MERC Clarificatory Order dt. 29/01/2016 in Case No. 121 of 2015 and M. A. No. 11 of 2015.

The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, in exercise of the powers vested in it under Section 61 and Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (EA 2003) has determined the ARR and issued Tariff Order dated 26/06/2015 for MSEDCL in Case No. 121 of 2014. Accordingly the guidelines are issued for implementation of the said order of the Commission vide Commercial Circular No. 243 dt. 03/07/2015.

The MSEDCL has filed a Petition on 21 August, 2015 for review of certain aspects of the Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) Order dated 26 June, 2015 in Case No.121 of 2014 wherein inadvertent anomalies relating to Tariff categorisation has been pointed out.

Now, the Commission has issued clarifications through Clarificatory Order dt. 29/01/2016 in Case No. 121 of 2015 and M. A. No. 11 of 2015 as under:

1. The following activity is added to the illustrative list regarding the applicability of LT II: LT- Non-Residential Category Tariff in the Approved Tariff Schedule.

   "q) Warehouses / Godowns."

2. The illustrative list regarding the applicability of HT II: HT - Commercial Category Tariff includes at ‘o)’ construction purposes not covered in the HT VII category. Since no HT VII category exists, the typographical error is corrected to reflect the relevant category. Also Independent R&D units and external illumination of historical monuments, heritage buildings, etc. have been listed under the LT II – Commercial Tariff. Consequently, ‘o)’ of the list is being corrected, and items ‘p)’ and ‘q)’ added to the illustrative list regarding the applicability of HT II: HT - Commercial Category Tariff as follows:

   “o) Construction purposes not covered under HT VIII category;
   p) Independent Research and Development units, not covered under any other category;"
q) *Electricity used for the external illumination of monumental / historical / heritage buildings approved by Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation (MTDC)."*

3. The following activities are added to the list of activities under applicability of HT IX (B): Public Services – Others Tariff category:

"Transport Workshops operated by Local Authority, all offices of Government / Municipal Bodies, Local Authority, local self-Government, Zilla Parishad and Gram Panchayat"

4. Applicability of pre-cooling plants & cold storage units for Agriculture Products- processed or otherwise is correctly reflected in the applicability of the LT IV (C): LT- Agriculture Metered- Others category in the Approved Schedule, but not in the corresponding HT category. The relevant entry in the HT V: HT-Agriculture category is accordingly corrected to read as follows:

"(i) For pre-cooling plants & cold storage units for Agriculture Products – processed or otherwise;"

5. With regard to the Load Factor Incentive, the relevant sentence of para No. 6.53.1 of the Tariff Order states as under

"This incentive is limited to HT I, HT II, HT IX, and HT X categories only..........

Whereas, in the Approved Tariff Schedule, the Incentive is applicable only to HT I and HT II categories. In line with the Approved Tariff Schedule, the relevant sentence in para 6.53.1 (underlined in the quotation above) should read as follows:

"This incentive is limited to HT I and HT II categories only..."

6. The above clarification is applicable from the effective date of tariff order i.e. 01.06.2015.

All field officers are therefore requested to take due note of Clarificatory Order dt. 29/01/2016 and should follow the same.

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