# Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd.

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# COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR No. 342

Subject:

Corrigendum order dated 28/04/2023 in the matter of MTR Tariff Order in Case No. 226

of 2022 dated 31/03/2023.

Reference:

1) Mid Term Review MERC Order in Case No. 226 of 2022 dated 31/03/2023

2) Commercial Circular No. 341 dated 28/04/2023.

3) MERC Corrigendum Order dated 28/04/2023.

The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, in exercise of the powers vested in it under Sections 61, 62 and 86 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (EA, 2003) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, and after taking into consideration all the submissions made by MSEDCL, and in the public consultation process, and all other relevant material, has approved the Final Truing-up of ARR for FY 2019- 20, FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22, Provisional Truing-up of ARR for FY 2022-23 and Revised ARR and Tariff for FY 2023-24 to FY 2024-25 in the Mid Term Review Order dated 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 in Case No. 226 of 2022.

MERC has subsequently issued order regarding corrigendum to certain aspects of MTR Order dated 31st March 2023 in Case No. 226 of 2022. In view of the above corrigendum order, the necessary guidelines are hereby being issued.

The MERC has made following corrections to the Mid Term Review Tariff Order dated 31 March 2020 in Case No. 226 of 2022;

1. Energy Charge for LT VII (B)- Public Services – others(ii) > 20- <50KW and (iii) >50 KW mentioned in table 7-14 and 7-15 reads as under.

Categories	Energy mentioned in M1	Charge The Energy charge FR order should be read as:		
LT VII (B): LT - Public Services - Others (Table 7-14: Summary of LT Tariff for FY 2023-24 effective from 1 April 2023)				
(ii) >20 - ≤ 50 kW	9.52	9.40		
(iii) > 50 kW	9.40	9.74		
LT VII (B): LT - Public Services - Others (Table 7-15: Summary of LT Tariff for FY 2024-25 effective from 1 April 2024)				
(ii) >20 - ≤ 50 kW	9.91	9.78		
(iii) > 50 kW	9.78	10.13		

2. Note below the tables of Rate schedule for LT-Residential category in Annexure-1 of Tariff Schedule (page No. 604) reads as follows:

Note

An Additional Fixed Charge of Rs.200 per 10 kW load or part thereof above 10 kW load shall also be payable for FY 2023-24. This amount will increase to Rs. 205 per month per10 KW, in FY 2024-25.

#### This should be read as follows:

Note

\$\$ An Additional Fixed Charge of Rs.200 per 10 kW load or part thereof above 10 kW load shall also be payable for FY 2023-24. This amount will increase to Rs. 205 per month per10 KW, in FY 2024-25.

3. Numbering in Tariff Applicability of LT II: LT - Non-Residential or Commercial' category in Annexure-1 of Tariff Schedule (page No. 606), activities starting from 'Milk Collection Centres; Standalone milk refrigeration, storage centres;' have been numbered as a), b), c), d)

### This should be read as follows:

I), m), n) and o).

4. Clause 'a' under Applicability of LT II: LT- Non-Residential or Commercial Category in Annexure-1 (Page No. 606), reads as under:

# "LT II: LT - Non-Residential or Commercial Applicability:

a. Milk Collection Centres; Standalone milk refrigeration, storage centres;

### This should be read as follows:

# "LT II: LT – Non-Residential or Commercial Applicability:

I. Milk Collection Centres; standalone milk refrigeration and storage centres;"

5. The applicability of LT III: LT- Public Water Works (PWW) and Sewage Treatment Plants in Annexure-1 (page No. 607) in the Order is reads as under:

'.... Housing Societies/complexes (including operated by developers in integrated township projects)'

# This should be read as follows:

'.... Housing Societies/complexes (including operated by developer/s in integrated township projects)'

6. Unit of Fixed/ Demand charges for LT VII (B) - Public Services- others (i) < 20KW reads as under.

7. The applicability of: LT VIII: LT - Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations in Annexure-1 (page No. 618) in the Order is reads as under:

'... Consumers may take separate connection under this category for charging of their EVs.'

# This should be read as follows:

- '... Consumer may take separate connection under this category for charging of their EV(s)'
- 8. The Units nomenclature for Wheeling Charges applicable for the following HT Categories in Annexure I Tariff Schedule for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 should be read as under:

Categories	Units reads under MYT Order as:	These Units should be read as:
HT I: HT - Industry		
HT II: HT- Commercial		
HT IV: HT - Public Water Works	1	
(PWW) and Sewage Treatment Plants	`	
HT VIII - (A): HT - Government	Rs./kwh	Rs./kVAh
Educational Institutions and Hospitals		10.71(4711)
HT VIII - (B): Public Service - Others		
HT IX: HT - Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations		

9. Regarding clarification sought by the MSEDCL on use of 'Financial Year' for the Penalty for exceeding Contract Demand. The same in the Tariff Schedule of MTR Order in Para 3 & 4 under Penalty for exceeding Contract Demand is reads as under

'....Further Distribution licensee can enhance the Contract Demand of the consumer when the consumers exceeds the Contract Demand on more than three occasions during a calendar year, irrespective whether the Consumer submits an application for the same or otherwise.'

'....In case a consumer exceeds his Contract Demand on more than three occasions in a calendar year, the action to be taken would be governed by the provisions of the Supply Code Regulations.'

# This should be read as follows:

'..... Further Distribution licensee can enhance the Contract Demand of the consumer when the consumer exceeds the Contract Demand on more than three occasions during **a financial year**, irrespective whether the Consumer submits an application for the same or otherwise.

... In case a consumer exceeds his Contract Demand on more than three occasions in a **financial year**, the action to be taken would be governed by the provisions of the Supply Code Regulations".

10. In para 7.13.21 of the MTR Order, the Commission has approved incremental consumption rebate of Rs. 0.75/kWh for certain LT categories. Clause 'a' of the 'Rebate on Incremental Consumption' in Annexure I of the MTR Order (Page No. 635) reads as follows:

"a) The rebate for incremental consumption shall be allowed at the rate of **Rs 0.75/KVAh** for incremental consumption."

# This should be read as follows:

- "a) The rebate for incremental consumption shall be allowed at the rate of Rs 0.75/KVAh (for eligible HT consumers) and at the rate of Rs. 0.75/kWh (for eligible LT consumers) for incremental consumption."
- 11. In para 7.13.22 of the MTR Order, the Commission has approved the Detailed modalities for operationalization of rebate for incremental consumption during remaining period of 4th Control Period (i.e. for FY 2023-24 and FY2024-25) for specified HT category (incl. EHV consumers) and LT Category along-with relevant conditions for applicable consumer categories and eligible consumers.

However, clause, Clause k, I m, n of Rebate on Incremental Consumption in Annexure I of the Order (Page No. 636) need to be aligned with bullets under para 7.13.22 of the Order.

Accordingly, the Clause k, I m, n of Rebate on Incremental Consumption in Annexure I of the Order (Page No. 636) "Rebate on Incremental Consumption shall be revised and Clause No. o and p shall be added after clause n as below:

- n) .....
- o) Period of Temporary Disconnection (TD) shall be excluded from computation of baseline consumption
- p) In case Permanently Disconnected (PD) consumer is reconnected, it shall be treated as new consumer and its computation prior to PD shall not be used for computing baseline consumption."

## **ACTION PLAN:-**

For proper implementation of the Corrigendum Order in the matter of MTR order in Case No 226 of 2022 all the IT departments / field officers shall follow guidelines given below:

1. The revised tariffs as per corrigendum order are to be applied from 1 April, 2023 till further Tariff Order.

2. The Commission has approved the HT and LT tariff as indicated in booklets (Annexure "I") effective from 01/04/2023.

3. All field officers are requested to download the same from MSEDCL's web site www.mahadiscom.in and adequate copies of this corrigendum order should be printed and made available up to Section Level and also make available to outsider/consumer with the tariff order booklet at the rate of Rs 100.

4. Corrigendum order with Tariff Order dated 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 in Case No. 226 of 2022 should be made available up to Section Level.

5. The field officers are directed to ensure that where ever the tariff category is redefined or newly created by the Commission, the existing / prospective consumers should be properly categorized by actual field inspection immediately and the data to be immediately updated in the IT data base.

All field officers shall sensitize staff about the various aspects of this corrigendum order with Tariff Order and give proper guidance to all the officers and the staff members working under them.

These are only the important guidelines and for actual implementation, the field officers are requested to refer the detail corrigendum order dtd-28.04.2023.

All the stipulation & provisions are to be strictly followed. All field officers are therefore requested to take due note of the revised tariff with the corrigendum order and should follow the same hereafter.

Enc: Annexure I

Chief Engineer (Commercial)

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Corrigendum to the MERC Mid-Term Review Order for MSEDCL for Truing-up of ARR for FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22, Provisional Truing-up of ARR for FY 2022-23 and revised ARR for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25.

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# **CASE No. 226 of 2022**

# In the matter of

Case of Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited for Final True Up of FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21 & FY 2021-22, Provisional True Up for FY 2022-23 and Revised Tariff & Projection for FY 2023-24 to FY 2024-25 under Section 62 of The Electricity Act, 2003 and MERC MYT Regulations, 2019

# **Coram**

Shri Sanjay Kumar, Chairperson Shri I. M. Bohari, Member Shri Mukesh Khullar, Member

**Date: 28 April 2023** 

# CORRIGENDUM ORDER

The following corrections are made to the Mid-Term Review Tariff (MTR) Order dated 31 March 2023 in Case No. 226 of 2022 for the Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd (MSEDCL):

1. There is typographical error in Energy Charge for LT VII(B) – Public Services-Others (ii): >20- <50 kW and iii) > 50 kW mentioned in Tables 7-14 (page No. 516) and 7-15 (page No.516). Correct energy charges for these subcategories are mentioned in ANNEXURE I, ANNEXURE – II and ANNEXURE – III. Accordingly, Energy Charge for these subcategories in Tables 7-14 and 7-15 are corrected as below:

Table 7-14: Summary of LT Tariff for FY 2023-24, effective from 1 April, 2023

Categories	Energy Charge mentioned in MTR Order	Correct Energy Charge
LT VII (B) - Public Services Others		
(ii): $>20 - \le 50 \text{ kW}$	9.52	9.40
iii): >50 kW	9.40	9.74

Table 7-15: Summary of LT Tariff for FY 2024-25, effective from 1 April, 2024

Categories	Energy Charge mentioned in MTR Order	Correct Energy Charge
LT VII (B) - Public Services Others		
(ii): $>20 - \le 50 \text{ kW}$	9.91	9.78
iii): >50 kW	9.78	10.13

2. Note below the tables of Rate schedule for LT-Residential category in In Annexure-1 of Tariff Schedule (page No. 604) reads as follows:

Note

An Additional Fixed Charge of Rs.200 per 10 kW load or part thereof above 10 kW load shall also be payable for FY 2023-24. This amount will increase to Rs. 205 per month per 10 KW, in FY 2024-25.

Above note is linked to '\$\$' mark mentioned in Fixed/Demand Charge column on Rate Schedule. However, due to typographical error '\$\$' was not mentioned to above note. Same is now corrected and said Note shall be read as follows:

Note

\$\$An Additional Fixed Charge of Rs.200 per 10 kW load or part thereof above 10 kW load shall also be payable for FY 2023-24. This amount will increase to Rs. 205 per month per10 KW, in FY 2024-25.

- 3. In Tariff applicability of 'LT II: LT Non-Residential or Commercial' category in Annexure-1 of Tariff Schedule (page No. 606), activities starting from 'Milk Collection Centres; Standalone milk refrigeration, storage centres;' have been numbered as **a**), **b**), **c**), **d**) due to typographical error. Said numbering of these activities are now corrected and same shall be read as **l**), **m**), **n**) and **o**).
- 4. Clause 'a' under Applicability of LT II: LT Non-Residential or Commercial category in Annexure -1 (Page No. 606) is reads as under
  - a) Milk Collection Centres; Standalone milk refrigeration, storage centres;

There is inadvertent error in mentioning of activity of refrigeration and storage centre in above clause. Same is corrected as follows:

- l. Milk Collection Centres; standalone milk refrigeration and storage centres;"
- 5. The applicability of LT III: LT- Public Water Works (PWW) and Sewage Treatment Plants in Annexure-1 (page No. 607) in the Order is reads as under:

'.... Housing Societies/complexes (including operated by **developers** in integrated township projects)'

The Commission notes that there is an inadvertent typographical error in using terms as 'developers' instead of 'developer/s'. The same is corrected as follows:

- '.... Housing Societies/complexes (including operated by **developer/s** in integrated township projects)'
- 6. Unit of Fixed /Demand Charges for LT VII(B) Public Services-Others (i) < 20 kW subcategory has been denoted as Rs/kVA/month in Rate Schedule: Tariff w.e.f. 1 April, 2023 to 31 March, 2024 on Page No 617 of the MTR Order. This is inadvertent typographical error. Said unit of Fixed/Demand Charges for sub-category (1) < 20 kW is corrected as Rs/month. Same is consistent with Rate Schedule for tariff w.e.f. 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.</p>
- 7. The applicability of: LT VIII: LT Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations in Annexure-1 (page No. 618) in the Order is reads as under:
  - '... **Consumers** may take separate connection under this category for charging of their EVs.'

The Commission notes that there is an inadvertent typographical error in using terms as 'consumers' instead of 'consumer'. The same is corrected as follows:

- '... Consumer may take separate connection under this category for charging of their EV(s)'
- 8. The Commission notes that there was inadvertent error in writing the units of Wheeling Charge as 'Rs/kWh' for HT certain categories in Annexure-1 Tariff Schedule for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25. As kVAh based billing has been allowed to all HT categories, said units needs to be denoted as 'Rs/kVAh'. Accordingly following correction has been made in units of Wheeling Charges for following HT categories:

Consumer Category	Unit for Wheeling Charges under MTR Order	Corrected Unit for Wheeling Charges
HT I: HT – Industry		
HT II: HT- Commercial		
HT IV: HT - Public Water Works		
(PWW) and Sewage Treatment Plants		
HT VIII – (A): HT - Government	Rs./kWh	Rs./ kVAh
Educational Institutions and Hospitals		
HT VIII - (B): Public Service – Others		
HT IX: HT – Electric Vehicle (EV)		
Charging Stations		

9. Regarding clarification sought by the MSEDCL on use of 'Financial Year' for the Penalty for exceeding Contract Demand, the Commission at para 7.19.4 (page no. 501) of the MTR Order has ruled as follows:

7.19.4 The Commission notes the MSEDCLs submission in this regard and clarifies that the provisions of the Supply Code Regulations, 2021 shall prevail. Necessary modifications in the Tariff Schedule to reflect this change for reference to 'Financial Year' instead of 'Calendar Year' have been incorporated.

However, due to inadvertent oversight, said correction has not been incorporated in the Tariff Schedule of MTR Order. The Same is now corrected. In 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> para under 'Penalty for Exceeding Contract Demand' in the Miscellaneous and General Charges in the MTR Order (Annexure-1, Page No. 638), the word 'calendar year' shall be replaced by 'financial year' as follows:

- '..... Further Distribution licensee can enhance the Contract Demand of the consumer when the consumer exceeds the Contract Demand on more than three occasions during a financial year, irrespective whether the Consumer submits an application for the same or otherwise.
- ... In case a consumer exceeds his Contract Demand on more than three occasions in a **financial year**, the action to be taken would be governed by the provisions of the Supply Code Regulations".
- 10. In para 7.13.21 of the MTR Order, the Commission has approved incremental consumption rebate of Rs. 0.75/kWh for certain LT categories. However, clause 'a' of the 'Rebate on Incremental Consumption' in Annexure I of the MTR Order (Page No. 635) reads as follows:
  - "a) The rebate for incremental consumption shall be allowed at the rate of **Rs 0.75/KVAh** for incremental consumption."

Due to inadvertent oversight. above clause is remains to be corrected to include rebate of 'Rs. 0.75/kWh' allowed to eligible LT categories. Same is corrected now. Above said clause 'a' on page no. 635 shall be read as follows:

- "a) The rebate for incremental consumption shall be allowed at the rate of Rs 0.75/KVAh (for eligible HT consumers) and at the rate of Rs. 0.75/kWh (for eligible LT consumers) for incremental consumption."
- 11. In para 7.13.22 of the MTR Order, the Commission has approved the Detailed modalities for operationalization of rebate for incremental consumption during remaining period of 4<sup>th</sup> Control Period (i.e. for FY 2023-24 and FY2024-25) for specified HT category (incl. EHV consumers) and LT Category along-with relevant conditions for applicable consumer categories and eligible consumers.

However, clause, Clause k, 1 m, n of Rebate on Incremental Consumption in Annexure I of the Order (Page No. 636) need to be aligned with bullets under para 7.13.22 of the Order.

Accordingly, the Clause k, l m, n of Rebate on Incremental Consumption in Annexure I of the Order (Page No. 636) "Rebate on Incremental Consumption shall be revised and Clause No. o and p shall be added after clause n as below:

- k) For example, If a consumer's 3-year average annual consumption was 12,000 units, the consumer shall be entitled for the rebate of Rs.0.75/kVAh for consumption exceeding its monthly threshold consumption (not below the baseline consumption of 1,000 units per month). However, in case its cumulative monthly consumption for the yearly period falls short of annual threshold consumption of 12,000 units then, consumer shall not be entitled for incremental consumption rebate for that financial year and adjustment for shortfall (or rebate already availed by consumer in earlier months, if any) shall be adjusted for recovery in monthly billing period for March.
- l) The rebate shall be over and above the existing rebates subject to the fact that the consumer's total variable charges should not be less than Rs.4.75/kVAh after accounting for all applicable rebates.
- m) The rebates would also be applicable to Partial Open Access consumers, subject to conditions outlined above.
- n) In case of amalgamation/merging of entity/load with permanent disconnection of the load of one of the entity, incremental consumption in such cases shall be applicable on aggregate consumption of such merged or amalgamated load for the surviving (or amalgamated entity) as the case may be.
- o) Period of Temporary Disconnection (TD) shall be excluded from computation of baseline consumption
- p) In case Permanently Disconnected (PD) consumer is reconnected, it shall be treated as new consumer and its computation prior to PD shall not be used for computing baseline consumption."
- 12. All above corrections are for correcting typographical errors and do not have any impact on ARR of MSEDCL.

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