

Minutes of the State Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting was held on 2.4.2012 at 11.30 Hrs. in the Commission.

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Commission

1. Sh. P.D.Sudhakar, Chairman
2. Sh. Shyam Wadhera, Member
3. Sh. J.P.Singh, Member

Other Members of SAC (incl. their nominees):

1. Sh. K.Ramanathan, TERI
2. Sh. Bibin Philip, NABL
3. Sh. G.C.Datta Roy, PHDCCI
4. Sh. O.P.Gupta, PGC
5. Sh. Satish Kumar, DMRC
6. Sh. S.S.Sharma, PTC India Ltd.
7. Sh. Saurabh Diddi, BEE
8. Sh. R.K.Mediratta, IEX
9. Sh. B.B.Tewari
10. Sh. J.K.Jethani, MNRE

Officers of the Commission

1. Ms. Jayshree Raghuraman, Secretary
2. Ms. Sunita Yadav, ED (Law)
3. Ms. Anjali Chandra, ED (E/T)
4. Sh. H.R.Satija, ED (A)
5. Sh. M.S.Gupta, JD (L)
6. Sh. Shirish Asthana, ED (T-E)
7. Sh. K.K.Verma, ED (Engg.)
8. Sh. Anish Garg, JD (PSE)
9. Sh. Rajasekhar Devaguptapu, AS

The Chairman welcomed the Members, State Advisory Committee & special invitees and introduced the new members of the State Advisory Committee. During the course of discussions, the issues taken up, suggestions received as well as preliminary observations of the Committee are given below.

Item No. 1

Approval of Minutes of SAC Meeting held on 31.10.2011.

The Committee considered and approved the minutes of the State Advisory Committee Meeting held on 31.10.2011 at 11.30 Hrs.

Item No. 2

Review of "Action Taken Report (ATR)" on issues discussed in the meeting held on 31.10.2011.

The Committee considered and approved the "Action Taken Report (ATR)" placed along with the agenda items and made the following suggestions.

2(i) Public Awareness Campaign initiated by the Commission

The Committee noted the action taken by the Commission and appreciated the steps taken for providing wider publicity on the issues of public importance. Members further suggested that the Commission may consider engaging a media consultant for public

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awareness on "High Cost of Power Purchase & Role of Consumer". It was also suggested that BEE may provide inputs on "Reduction of Energy Costs by Consumer", for public awareness campaigns.

2(iv) Benchmarking of Costs & Preparation of Cost Database

The Committee noted the progress on the issue. With regard to the study on comparison of distribution costs incurred by utilities across the country per MW of load met or MWh of energy supplied, so as to have a benchmarking with other utilities, it has been suggested by the Committee that the Commission may consider approaching Forum of Regulators for relevant information.

Item No. 3

Draft Regulations

a. "Draft Delhi Electricity Supply Code & Performance Standards Regulations, 2012".
Sh. Mediratta suggested that detailed provisions related to consumers with connected load of 1MW & above for Open Access may be included in the draft Regulations. It was also suggested that the Commission may consider inclusion of relevant Reliability Indices and Changes in the Regulations for compliance by the licensees. Members agreed to provide their additional comments / suggestions in the matter within 15 days.

b. "Draft Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum & Ombudsman) Regulations, 2011".

Members agreed to provide their comments / suggestions in the matter within 15 days.

c. "Draft Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Purchase Obligation and Renewable Energy Certificate Framework Implementation) Regulations, 2011".

Representative from MNRE has been requested to strengthen the Designated State Nodal Agency with regard to RPO / REC. Members suggested that nodal Agency should be SLDC. Members agreed to provide their comments / suggestions in the matter within 15 days. It was also proposed to conduct a half day workshop for capacity building.

d. "Draft Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Demand Side Management Implementation Frame-work) Regulations, 2012".

It was suggested by Mr. Ramanathan that the Commission may consider creation of a separate "Energy Efficiency/Conservation Fund" duly augmented by appropriate source besides determining the provisions for utilization of such fund. It was also suggested that the Commission may take up a study / Market Survey on various issues related to Demand Side Management, so that a suitable "Road Map" could be drawn for timely achievement of efficiency gains. Members agreed to provide their additional comments / suggestions in the matter within 15 days.

e. "Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Procurement of Power from Grid-connected Solar Photo Voltaic Project) Regulations, 2012".

The Committee requested the Commission to consider the possibility of determining "Generic Tariff" in the matter of renewable energy projects. The Committee also sought confirmation from BEE for providing consultancy support to the Commission in various matters related to SPV projects. Members agreed to provide their additional comments / suggestions in the matter within 15 days.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.