



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Steps taken by DERC to ensure 24X7 supply of power to consumers of Delhi due to ongoing Power Supply Crisis**

DERC held an Emergency Meeting on 9/10/2021 to take stock of the situation arising out of current Coal & Gas shortage which has led to non-availability of 24X7 Power in Delhi and Electricity prices soaring to extraordinary high levels at Power Exchanges and accordingly, has taken following steps:

- a) Given various relaxations with immediate effect to NDMC, BRPL, BYPL, and TPDDL in order to ensure 24X7 supply of power to the consumers of Delhi (Annexure-I).
- b) Directed GTPS to declare its availability on any alternative fuel, ensuring additional 270 MW of power in order to bridge the Gap between the current demand-supply (Annexure-II).
- c) Requested Ministry of Power, GoI, to urgently intervene in the matter and facilitate adequate supply of fuel to the Power Plants in order to avoid any Outage and maintain continuous supply of Power to the Delhi State (Annexure-III).

**Mukesh Wadhwa**  
Secretary, DERC  
9/10/2021



# दिल्ली विद्युत विनियामक आयोग

## Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission

विनियामक भवन, सी-ब्लॉक, शिवालिक,  
मालवीय नगर, नई दिल्ली-110017  
Viniyamak Bhawan, C-Block, Shivalik,  
Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110017



F.3(598)/Tariff-Engg./DERC/2019-20/6647/1002

Dated: 09/10/2021

To

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| 1. The Chief Executive Officer<br>M/s BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd.<br>BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place<br>New Delhi - 110019      | 3. The Chief Executive Officer<br>Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd.<br>33 kV Grid Sub-station<br>Hudson Lane, Kingsway<br>Camp, Delhi - 110 009 |
| 2. The Chief Executive Officer<br>M/s BSES Yamuna Power Ltd.<br>Shakti Kiran Building<br>Karkardooma, Delhi - 110 092 | 4. The Chairperson,<br>New Delhi Municipal Council,<br>Palika Kendra, Sansad Marg,<br>New Delhi-110001.                                          |

**Sub: Relaxations in Directives due to Ongoing Coal shortage and Current Power Crisis - Reg.**

Ref: BRPL Letter No. RA/2021-22/01/A/380 dated 6/09/2021, 5/10/2021 7/10/2021  
BYPL Letter No. RA/BYPL/2021-22/161 dated 9/09/2021  
TPDDL Letter No. TPDDL/REGULATORY/2021-22/03/263 dated 4/10/2021 &  
7/10/2021

Sir,

The Commission is aware of the current crisis due to shortage of coal to the Central Generating Power Plants resulting in shortage of supply of power from the Long Term sources as per allocation.

In an endeavor to mitigate such crisis and safeguard the interest of the Consumers and the Distribution Licensees, the Commission held an emergency meeting on 9/10/2021 to take stock of the situation arising out of current coal shortage and has taken adequate measures and steps in this direction.

Considering the request of DISCOMs and current power crisis, the Commission as an interim measure relaxes the following with immediate effect till further Orders:

- Additional UI Charges and Sustain Deviation Charges as a pass through in Power Purchase Cost.
- Exemption in seeking prior approvals for Banking and Bilateral Contracts.
- Exemption for non-intimation and non-consideration of the Power Procured above Rs.5/kWh for computing restriction in impact of such purchase on

total Short Term Power Purchase not exceeding 10 Paise/kWh for FY 2021-22 True up.

d) The issue relating to PPAC shall be considered separately.

The Commission has written to the Ministry of Power, Government of India requesting for urgent intervention for facilitating adequate supply of fuel to the Power Plants in order to avoid any outage so as to maintain continuous supply of power to the Delhi State.

The Commission has further issued an Interim Order dated 09.10.2021 in Petition No. 30/2021 and has directed IPGCL to declare availability for 270 MW of GTPS on Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) Gas or any other alternative fuel available, till further Orders.

Delhi DISCOMs have PPA to the tune of 724 MW from Hydro Power Plants but they are not utilized to the maximum. Since, the current power crisis is on account of shortage of Coal supply, therefore you are directed to maximize the scheduling from all Hydro, Gas, Renewable and Nuclear Power Plants.

In view of above measures, it is hereby directed to maintain 24X7 supply of Power to the consumers of Delhi.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Mukesh Wadhwa)  
Secretary

Copy to:

1. Additional Chief Secretary (Power), GoNCTD, Delhi Secretariat, 8th Level, B-Wing, I.P. Estate, New Delhi – 110002
2. General Manager, SLDC, 33kV Sub-Station, Minto Road- Tagore Road, New Delhi -110002



## Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission

Viniyamak Bhawan, 'C' Block, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi - 110017.

### Review Petition No. 30/2021

**In the matter of:** Petition under section 94(1)(f) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Order 47 Rule 1 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 seeking clarification and review of the Order dated 24.03.2021 passed by the Hon'ble Commission in Petition 35 of 2020 filed by Indraprastha Power Generation Company Limited seeking approval of Life Extension & Synchronous Mode Operation of GTPS Plant and Operation beyond March, 2021 as per Regulation 49, 50 and 51 of the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff) Regulations, 2017.

**Indraprastha Power Generation Company Limited**

**....Petitioner**

**Vs.**

**Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (TPDDL) & Ors.**

**....Respondents**

**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Shri Justice Shabihul Hasnain 'Shastri', Chairperson**

**Hon'ble Dr. A. K. Ambasht, Member**

### Appearance:

1. Mr. Rajendra Kumar Yadav, IPGCL

### INTERIM ORDER

(Date of Hearing: 09.10.2021)

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1. This Petition is being taken-up on the request of the parties and the emergency situations reported in the newspapers and other platforms.
2. After going through the prayers made by the Petitioner and due to scarcity/non-availability of APM gas, we are of the considered opinion that the direction 83 b) of Order dated 24.03.2021 be relaxed and the same is revised as follows:

### As per Order dated 24.03.2021:

*"83 b) IPGCL to declare availability for 90 MW of GTPS only on Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) gas or cheaper gas than APM Gas used by the Generating Station, if any"*

### Revised:

*"IPGCL to declare availability for 270 MW of GTPS on Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) gas or any other alternative fuel available, as an interim measure, until further Orders."*

3. List this case on 21.10.2021.

**Sd/-**  
**(Dr. A.K. Ambasht)**  
**Member**

**Sd/-**  
**(Justice Shabihul Hasnain 'Shastri')**  
**Chairperson**



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Dated: 09/10/2021

To

The Secretary (Power)  
Ministry of Power, Govt. of India  
Shram Shakti Bhawan,  
Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001

**Sub: Request for urgent intervention in matters pertaining to current Power Crisis.**

Sir,

Delhi DISCOMs have maximum power allocation from the Central Generating stations that are majorly coal fired and various plants in their portfolio are not getting adequate coal supply since past few weeks resulting the DISCOMs to rely on expensive RLNG, Spot Gas or buying power at high rate from Power Exchanges.

This Coal shortage has led to an alarming situation as some of the Generation Plants are at high risk of shutting down at any moment. The DISCOMs have submitted that such unprecedented shortage of fuel to the Power Generators is further resulting in abnormal upward trend in pricing in Power markets with no signs of stabilizing in the near future. The highest allowed tariff bid in the Power markets has already touched Rs. 20/kWh with no guarantee in getting cleared at all times.

Delhi being Capital city has an Islanding scheme wherein major dependency is on Gas based Power Plants like Pragati Power Station-I, Pragati Power Station-III (Bawana), Gas Turbine Power Station (GTPS). The fuel supply to these Gas based Power Plants is also not being made available which may lead to an alarming situation of Black-out in the Capital city.

Further, Delhi DISCOMs have PPA to the tune of 724 MW from various Hydro Power Plants of NHPC, SJVNL and THDC but they are currently not supplying power to their maximum power allocation.

Non availability of the power from Long Term sources on account of coal shortage and the Short Term sources on account of exorbitant pricing may result in

*(Signature)*  
Wadhwa

sudden outage and disruption in power supply which may be difficult to manage and result in inconvenience to the consumers of Delhi, especially with the upcoming festive season when the evening peak load in Delhi is expected to increase further.

In these circumstances, it is hereby requested to intervene urgently in the matter so as to facilitate adequate supply of fuel to the Power Plants, in order to avoid any outage and maintain continuous supply of power to the Delhi State.

This issues with the approval of the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

  
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Secretary

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