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**PUBLIC NOTICE
Case No.84 of 2015**

Inviting Comments on Petition in Case No. 84 of 2015 filed by Jawahar Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. regarding compliance of directions given under the Commission's Order in Case No. 127 of 2014, and the Discussion Paper regarding the treatment of similar cases post expiry of EPA tenure.

1. Jawahar Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. (JSSSKL) had filed a Petition dated 18 June, 2015 in Case No. 84 of 2015 in compliance of the directives given by the Commission in its Order dated 11 November, 2014.
2. In its Petition, JSSSKL sought the Commission's approval to execute an Energy Purchase Agreement (EPA) with Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. (MSEDCL) post expiry of its initial EPA period of 13 years, for an additional 7 years. The mutually agreed tariff stream for the procurement is as follows:

Rs./kWh

Year-1 (FY 14-15)	Year-2 (FY 15-16)	Year-3 (FY 16-17)	Year-4 (FY 17-18)	Year-5 (FY 18-19)	Year-6 (FY 19-20)	Year-7 (FY 20-21)
4.48	4.50	4.52	4.54	4.57	4.59	4.62

3. The Commission in its daily Order dated 3 December, 2015, gave an interim dispensation for the sale and purchase of power generated from the Power Plant of JSSSKL at the Average Power Purchase Cost (APPC) rate as determined by the Commission in the Tariff Orders of MSEDCL.
4. The Commission has determined the tariff and set the principles of EPAs in respect of Bagasse-based Cogeneration Projects, Biomass-based Power Projects and Wind Power Projects through separate Tariff Orders issued in the past. However, the applicable tariff post expiry of the EPA tenures could significantly vary depending upon the type of technology. The Commission has therefore, analyzed various issues and principles for determination of the tariff post expiry of the EPAs and three options for the tariff to be applied have been considered i.e. a) Option-1: APPC, b) Option-2: Operating cost recovery based tariff and c) Option-3: Tariff derived through transparent competitive process with appropriate ceiling tariff, in the Discussion Paper prepared by the Commission. JSSSKL's Petition and the Discussion Paper are available on the Commission's websites www.merc.gov.in / www.mercindia.org.in or can be inspected in the Commission's office.
5. The Commission invites written comments, suggestions and/or objections on the Petition and on the Discussion Paper on or before 15 June, 2018. These may be sent in 6 (1+5) copies to the Secretary, Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, 13th floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai 400005 personally or by post; or sent by Fax or E-mail [Fax No.022-22163976, E-mail: mercindia@merc.gov.in.
6. It should also be mentioned if the sender wants to be heard in person, in that case opportunity would be given by the Commission at the Public Hearing to be held in the Office of the Commission, 13th Floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai-400005, on Friday, 15 June, 2018, at 11:00 Hours. No separate notice will be issued for the purpose.

Date : 15.05.2018

Secretary,

Place : Mumbai Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission

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