

Reply to Queries received on dated 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 relating to Petition of SEZ Biotech seeking amendments to its Specific Conditions of Licences for Hadapsar SEZ

Case No. 142 of 2024

Filed by

M/s. SEZ Bio-Tech Services Private Limited. (SEZBioTech)

..... Petitioner

Case No. 142/AL/2024

Date: 28 October 2024

**Reference:**

1. Petition by M/s SEZ Bio-Tech Services Private Limited, Hadapsar/Manjari, Pune, Maharashtra, seeking the Hon'ble Commission's approval to amend the MERC (Specific Conditions of Distribution License for SEZ Bio-Tech Services Pvt. Ltd. at Hadapsar, Pune) Regulations, 2024. The amendment is requested under Section 18 of the Electricity Act 2003, following a notification by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry on 9th October 2023, which changes the license area of M/s SEZ Bio-Tech.
2. Queries received on dated 23rd October 2024 relating to Petition of SEZ Biotech seeking amendments to its Specific Conditions of Licences for Hadapsar SEZ Case No. 142 of 2024.

- i. **With reference to the additional Area proposed to be included in the Licence area for both the SEZs, the Petitioner to provide the following details:**

number of premises developed/proposed to be developed, number of category wise consumers (existing), present load and projected load development for next five years, present annual consumption and projected annual consumption for next five years.

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

**a. Number of premises developed/proposed to be developed:**

No premises have been developed, and none are proposed for development currently in the Additional area proposed to be included in the Licensee area.

**Currently, only the (additional area) has been notified by SEZ Authority however the buildings/premises is yet to be proposed.**

**b. Number of category-wise consumers (existing):**

Consumer Type	Number of Consumers
Industrial	0
Commercial	0



c. Present load and projected load development for the next five years:

Year	Load (MW)
Present (2024)	0
2025-26	1
2026-27	2
2027-28	3
2028-29	3
2029-30	4

d. Present annual consumption and projected annual consumption for the next five years:

Period	Consumption (MUs)
Present (2024)	0
Projected for FY 2025-26	8.76
Projected for FY 2026-27	17.52
Projected for FY 2027-28	26.28
Projected for FY 2028-29	35.04
Projected for FY 2029-30	35.04

- ii. The Petitioner to provide the details of network established by MSEDCL, if any, in the additional area proposed to be included in both the SEZ.

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

**Hadapsar SEZ:** MSEDCL has not established any electricity distribution infrastructure within the additional area notified by SEZ Authority.

- iii. The Petitioner to clarify as to whether the additional area is disjoint to existing license area or connected with the existing licence area. In case of Hadapsar SEZ, it is seen that the SEZ notification for the additional area mentions both Hadapsar and Manjari Village area. It is not clear as to how areas of two separate villages could be contiguous.

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

**Hadapsar SEZ:**

The additional SEZ area is connected to the existing Licensed area of the Petitioner and the same is not disjointed to the existing License area.



Further, owing to contiguous nature of the land, additional area in terms of SEZ notification includes portions of Hadapsar and Manjari villages. These areas are geographically contiguous, and connected with each which ensures and provides additional the continuity to the expanded SEZ. Please refer to *Annexure I* for the plot map.

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- iv. **The Petitioner to clarify as to whether after proposed addition of new area, still there would be some non-SEZ area or area being served by MSEDCL.**

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

**Hadapsar SEZ:**

Please be noted that after inclusion of the additional area, there will be no non-SEZ areas that would served by MSEDCL within the expanded Hadapsar SEZ.

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- v. **The Petitioner to provide its view on necessity of impleadment of MSEDCL in the present matters.**

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

**Hadapsar SEZ:**

Impleadment of MSEDCL is not necessary and relevant in the current case considering the facts and circumstances of the same and also since the areas being added as additional part of the SEZ are entirely within the notified SEZ zones where no existing infrastructure of MSEDCL is located. Further, the amendment sought in the license area is regulatory procedure relating to the internal functioning of the Petitioner and may not directly affect interest or operation of the MSEDCL in non-SEZ areas. In view of same, in humble opinion of the Petitioner, there is no necessity to implead the MSEDCL as respondent.

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- vi. **The Petitioner to confirm that there is no area including the whole or any part of any cantonment, aerodrome, fortress, arsenal, dockyard or camp or of any building or place in the occupation of the Government for defence purposes, which would require no objection from the part of the Central Government.**

**Reply:** The Petitioner would like to humbly submit that:

There is no area including the whole or any part of cantonment, aerodrome, fortress, arsenal, dockyard, camp, or any building or place occupied by the Government for defence purposes is part of the additional area of the SEZ which would require no objection on the part of the Central Government. Therefore, no objection from the part of Central Government is required in relation to the same.

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# **ANNEXURE- I**



