

**CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
NEW DELHI**

Petition No.349/AT/2025

Subject : Application under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003 for Adoption of Transmission Charges with respect to the Transmission System being established by Khavda V-B1B2 Power Transmission Limited (a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited).

Petitioner : Khavda V-B1B2 Power Transmission Limited (KVB1B2PTL)

Respondents : Central Transmission Utility of India Limited (CTUIL) & Ors.

Petition No.350/TL/2025

Subject : Petition under Section 14 & 15 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Procedure, Terms and Conditions for Grant of Transmission License and other related matters) Regulations, 2024 with respect to Transmission License to Khavda V-B1B2 Power Transmission Limited.

Petitioner : Khavda V-B1B2 Power Transmission Limited

Respondents : Central Transmission Utility of India Limited and Ors.

Date of Hearing : **29.5.2025**

Coram : Shri Jishnu Barua, Chairperson
Shri Ramesh Babu V., Member
Shri Ravinder Singh Dhillon, Member

Parties Present : Shri Rohit Jain, KVB1B2PTL
Shri Ranjeet S. Rajput, CTUIL
Shri Swapnil Verma, CTUIL

Record of Proceedings

The representative of the Petitioner submitted that the present Petitions have been filed for the grant of a transmission licence to establish an inter-State transmission system for "*Augmentation of transformation capacity at KPS1 (GIS) and KPS (GIS) (Phase-V Part B1 and Part B2 Scheme)*" ('the Project') and for the adoption of the transmission charges in respect of the Project discovered pursuant to the tariff based competitive bidding process. He further submitted that all the compliances have been duly undertaken by the Petitioner. He also submitted that there has been a change in the name of the Petitioner Company, and an affidavit to this effect has already been filed on 28.5.2025.

2. The representative of CTUIL, in response to the specific query regarding the upstream and downstream details, submitted that the Project pertains to augmentation



of ICT at two substations, namely KPS-1 and KPS-2, for ensuring N-1 compliance and hence, the information in regard to the upstream and downstream transmission systems do not strictly apply to the present case. In any case, CTUIL has filed its compliance affidavit in accordance with the direction of the Commission dated 30.4.2025.

3. The Commission observed that the discovered tariff in the present case is approximately 14.84% higher than the tariff worked out as per the prevailing norms based on the estimated project cost as communicated by the Cost Committee. The Commission further observed that the Commission in its order dated 14.1.2025 in Petition No. 340/TL/2024 had observed that *“since there are substantial financial implications on the beneficiaries at large, when the bid price is substantially higher than the estimated price, there is a need to consider the same based on an objective criterion to be issued in the public domain. We are of the view that a procedure in this regard specifying the objective criterion based on which re-bidding is finalised, is required to be put in place by the BPC along with the BEC after consulting the necessary stakeholders. Accordingly, the BPC is directed to finalise the procedure within a period of three months from the issue of this order for future cases.”* Accordingly, the Commission directed the BPC and CTUIL to confirm on an affidavit within a week whether the above directions have been complied with, if not, the reasons thereof.

4. Considering the submissions made by the representative of the Petitioner and the Respondent, CTUIL, the Commission reserved the matters for order.

By order of the Commission

**Sd/-
(T.D. Pant)
Joint Chief (Law)**