

**CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
New Delhi**

Petition No. 877/TT/2025

- Subject : Petition for determination of the tariff for “Establishment of 765/400/220 kV Substation at Kurnool-III, Extension of 765 kV Kurnool (New) Substation, and 765 kV Kurnool III-Kurnool (New) D/C Line” under "Transmission System for Kurnool Wind Energy Zone/Solar Energy Zone(AP) - Part-A and Part-B” in the Southern Region under Section 62 read with Section 79(1)(d) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and under Regulation 15(1)(a) and Regulation 23 of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2023 read with the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2024.
- Petitioner : Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL)
- Respondents : Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC) and Others
- Date of Hearing : **13.1.2026**
- Coram : Shri Jishnu Barua, Chairperson
Shri Ramesh Babu V., Member
Shri Harish Dudani, Member
Shri Ravinder Singh Dhillon, Member
- Parties Present : Shri S. Vallinayagam, Advocate, TNPDC
Ms. Supriya Singh, PGCIL
Shri Arjun Malhotra, PGCIL
Shri Mukesh Bhakar, PGCIL
Shri Divyanshu Mishra, PGCIL
Shri Anshul Garg, PGCIL
Shri Vivek Kumar, PGCIL
Shri Amit Yadav, PGCIL
Shri Vishal Sagar, PGCIL
Shri G. Vijay, PGCIL
Shri Angaru Naresh Kumar, PGCIL
Shri Ashish Agarwal, PGCIL
Shri Zafrul Hasan, PGCIL
Shri Yatin Kalra, PGCIL
Shri Ashish Aggarwal, PGCIL
Shri Ranjeet Pandey, PGCIL

Record of Proceedings

The matter was heard through a virtual hearing.



2. The Petitioner's representative submitted that the instant Petition has been filed to determine the transmission tariff for the 2024-29 tariff period.

3. The learned counsel for Respondent No. 1, i.e., Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC), sought time to file a reply to the information submitted by Respondent No. 15, i.e., CTUIL, vide affidavit dated 9.1.2026, in compliance with the directions in the Record of Proceedings (RoP) dated 3.12.2025.

4. The Petitioner's representative requested the Commission to grant an interim tariff till the disposal of the Petition, and the same was opposed by the learned counsel for TNPDC.

5. After the hearing, the Commission directed the Respondents to file their respective replies, if not already filed, within two weeks, with an advance copy to the Petitioner, who may file its rejoinder, if any, within one week thereafter.

6. The Commission further directed CTUIL to submit the following information, on an affidavit, within two weeks, with a copy to the other parties, including TNPDC, who may file their reply, within two weeks thereafter:

- (i) As per the information furnished by CTUIL, the total connectivity granted is 4300 MW, and the year-wise start dates of connectivity are as follows:

Financial Year	Total Connectivity granted (MW)
2025	850 MW
2026	1400 MW
2027	800 MW
2028	1250 MW
Total	4300 MW

The Petitioner commissioned 3X1500 MVA (4500 MVA) ICTs at Kurnool and 6X500 MVA (3000 MVA) ICTs at Kurnool on 27.4.2025. Based on the above, the CTUIL is directed to submit the corrective action taken in accordance with Regulation 11.3 of the GNA Regulations.

- (ii) As per the fourth proviso to Regulation 27(c)(i) of the 2023 IEGC Regulations, the deemed COD can be granted only on account of delay in commissioning of the concerned generating station or in commissioning of the upstream or downstream transmission system of another transmission licensee. Without any specific generator for the delay, how did CTUIL certify the deemed COD of the assets covered in this Petition?
- (iii) The present status of Anantpuram PS - Kurnool-III PS transmission line.
- (iv) Only 9 nos. 220 kV line bays are allocated to RE Generators. Has CTUIL taken any corrective action as per Regulation 11.3 of the GNA Regulations for the utilisation of the remaining 220 kV line bays?
- (v) As per the CTUIL, the generator is also liable to pay the Yearly Transmission Charges (YTC) for the terminal bays that have achieved COD, from the start date of such connectivity until the generator achieves COD. Clarify whether the terminal bays at Kurnool-III PS are part of CTS or are generator-specific.



If they are part of ATS, provide the basis for such bifurcation, including the relevant provisions of the 2020 Sharing Regulations.

- (vi) Provide the methodology for arriving at the transmission charges liability at the rate of ₹3,000/MW/month. Additionally, confirm whether this is the same across all CTS schemes.
 - (vii) As per the CTUIL, evacuation is possible even without commissioning of the 765 kV Kurnool-III – Maheshwaram line. Confirm whether the intended quantum can be evacuated without leading to congestion or curtailment.
 - (viii) Clarify whether the delay/mismatch between the COD of the transmission assets and the COD of RE generators is attributable to generators or to transmission implementation/system planning, with proper supporting documents.
7. The Petition will be listed for hearing on **19.3.2026**.

By order of the Commission

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(T. D. Pant)
Joint Chief (Law)**

