

GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
GANDHINAGAR

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The State-Owned utilities and other Distribution Licensees of the State have filed the petitions for truing up of FY 2021-22 and determination of Tariff for FY 2023-24. All these utilities filed their petitions along with Annual Accounts on the principles and methodology prescribed under the GERC Multi-Year Tariff (MYT) Regulations, 2016 as directed by the Commission. These petitions were registered in accordance with the Electricity Act, 2003 and the relevant Regulations to proceed with the Tariff Orders.

The licensees were directed to publish their applications in the newspapers to ensure public participation. Thus, an elaborate exercise was carried out for inviting comments/ suggestions from public and stakeholders. The suggestions/ objections were examined, and public hearings were held on 28th February, 1st and 2nd March 2023. Several stakeholders including individuals and organisations participated in the hearings.

The Commission determined the tariff and finalized all the orders on these petitions. Important highlights of these Tariff Orders are as under-

- ***No changes in scheduled tariff rates for the consumers of State owned Discoms and Torrent Power Limited (Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, and Surat areas).***
- ***Existing mechanism for FPPPA charges continued.***
- ***GETCO transmission charges increased from existing rate of Rs. 4047.60 per MW per Day to Rs. 4113.16 per MW per Day for the FY 2023-24.***
- ***Transmission Charge for Short Term Users is approved as 37.94 Paise per Unit for FY 2023-24.***
- ***SLDC charges are approved as Rs. 4019 Lakh for FY 2023-24.***
- ***For Open Access consumers, Distribution losses in kind for HT network of State Owned Discoms is reduced from 10% to 9.50%.***

The actual distribution losses as reported by utilities for FY 2021-22 except PGVCL are lower than the target given by the Commission. Target for FY 2022-23 as well as for FY 2023-24 is shown in the Table below.

Distribution Losses

DISCOM	Target given for FY 2022-23	Target given for FY 2023-24
UGVCL	7.00%	7.00%
DGVCL	6.50%	4.68%
MGVCL	9.00%	9.00%
PGVCL	16.00%	15.75%
TPL Ahmedabad/ Gandhinagar	6.03%	5.03%
TPL Surat	3.54%	3.59%

For State Owned Discoms, for the FY 2023-24, the Commission has approved power purchase cost at Rs. 5.22 per unit and the Base FPPPA charges as Rs. 2.64.

For Torrent Power Limited, for the FY 2023-24, the Commission has approved power purchase cost at Rs. 5.55 per unit and the Base FPPPA for Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar area is approved at Rs.2.71 per unit and for Surat area approved at Rs. 2.17 per unit.

Sd/-

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