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Dated Aizawl, the 22nd March, 2018

MINUTES OF THE 20TH MEETING OF THE STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF MIZORAM

Venue : P&E Department Conference Hall, New Secretariat Complex, Khatla, Aizawl, Mizoram

Date & Time : 22nd February, 2018, 11:00 a.m.

The Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ngangom Sarat Singh and Chairperson of the JERC for Manipur & Mizoram chaired the meeting. He started the programme by welcoming new Members and all other members of the State Advisory Committee and the invitees.

The list of Members and Participants attending the meeting is appended.

Agenda 1: Confirmation on the Minutes of the SAC Mizoram held on 8th February, 2017.

The Chairman requested the Members to give their comments on the minutes of the Meeting and after obtaining nods from the Members, the minutes was declared as confirmed.

Agenda 2: Determination of Multi Year ARR for the 2nd control period for FY 2018 – 19 to FY 2022 – 23 and Retail Tariff for FY 2018 – 19 for P&E Department.

The Chairman requested the P&E Department to highlight the main points of their tariff petition. The P&E Department stated that their proposal to hike the average tariff is only Rs 0.62 per unit from the present Rs 4.6 per unit. And further, stated that they could not give the exact correct figure on their accounts due to difficulty in compiling of accounts and further stated that every measures has been taken not to further burden to the consumers. The Chairman requested the Members to give their views on the tariff petition of P&E Department. Er. Vanlalruata, President, CYMA stated that the Department needs to come up with for proper accounting and compilation of income and expenditure which is to be updated. He further stated that the Department seems not enthusiastic in giving out updated bills to the consumers which is the right to the consumers. Prof. H. Lalramnghinglova, Department of Environment and Science also stated that the Department needs to show better efficiency in their management for providing uninterrupted power to the consumers. Dr. Chawngsailova, General Secretary, Mizoram Consumers' Union,

General Headquarters, Aizawl representing the President also stated that the yearly increase of tariff at a nominal rate is justified but care should be taken to the people who have low income. After closed examination of the tariff petition, it was agreed that the hike in tariff to a reasonable rate was agreed.

Agenda 3. Reduction of Commercial Losses.

The P&E Department give a detailed report on theft of power within 2017 – 18 as below:

Detail of theft Report within 2017-18:

Sl No	Items of Report	CE(D) upto 2 nd quarter	CE(SO) upto 3 rd quarter	Total
1	No of cases where inspection were carried out	4175	5738	9913
2	No of cases where theft or misuse was detected	21	3	24
	a) Meter bypass	13	0	13
	b) Hooking	47	0	47
	c) Unauthorised extension	129	0	129
	d) Tampering	0	0	0
	Total (a+b+c+d)	189	0	189
3	Estimated qty of energy considered as pilferage	2247	0	2247
4	No of cases where sentences were imposed	7	0	7
5	Qty of energy for which cost were recovered (kWh)	670	0	670
6	Amount realized (Rs)	18015	0	18015

The Department further informed that to reduce theft and unauthorized use of power, Vigilance Committee was constituted covering 234 nos. of areas villages and towns to which the Central YMA did not allow its members of Branch Office to participate in the Vigilance Committee. Franchisee system was introduced at Sangau and Phullen to handle energy billing and related works as pilot projects. The Department is examining more improved and efficient system to impart in other areas. Er. Vanlalruata stated that there was a misunderstanding on the concept of Vigilance Committee and that the Organisation is ever committed for the further improvement of power sector in Mizoram, and every assistance will be given. Professor (Rtd.) Tlanglawma also stated that the Department is to streamline payment of bills. Professor H. Ramnghinglova also stated that there is difficulty in payment of electricity bills and that a proper mechanism be made for consumers for online payment.

Er. Vanlalruata, President, CYMA and President, Mizoram Consumers Union is requested to extend helping hand.

Agenda 4. Energy Accounting.

The Department informed that all feeders are 100% metered but due to long years of use, accuracy and reliability has deteriorated. There are 100 nos of unreliable / damages system meters which are to be replaced. A detailed project report is being prepared and after implementation of the scheme, losses at all levels can be determined and proper energy accounting could be done.

P&ED should replace damaged meter as per JERC (M&M) Supply Code Regulations.

Agenda 5. Status of Plan Work.

The members of the committee were of the view that works that are to be completed should be completed within the expected date.

P&ED is urged to work closely with PGCI and see that 400 kV line is completed before schedule.

Agenda 6. Fixed Charge on Contracted Load.

The Department issued notification to every consumer to opt for new contracted load or to use existing load as contracted load. As per application received from Mizoram Consumers Union, time limit is extended upto December 2017 for submission of application from consumer. As per report received from field offices, all the applications received are dealt as per required. However, data has not yet collected from head offices to mention the total quantity.

P&ED is requested to indicate contracted load and connected load in the bill body as per JERC (M&M) Supply Code Regulations.

Agenda 7: Extra charge on Bank Transaction Charges

The P&E Department has stated that the matter has to be dealt with Finance Department so as not to levy Bank's transaction charges on consumer. Instead, payment gateway may deduct transaction charge from the Government Account for which permission from Finance Department will be required. In this regard, Prof H. Lalramnghinglova and other members of the Committee were of the opinion that easy bill payment through internet should be made for the benefit of the Department and the consumers.

P&ED is requested to pursue with Finance Department.

Agenda 8: Miscellaneous.

The Chairman requested the members if they have any Agenda to be discussed and he himself proposed 2 (two) items for discussion

a) RPO : The Chairman informed the Committee that Government of India has taken deep interest in green energy and that one is Renewable Purchase Obligation which is to be fulfilled by the P&E Department and informed the Department to take steps for fulfillment of their RPO to which target has been fixed.

b) Re-structuring of the Department : Mr. Lalramliana, Chief Engineer informed the Committee that re-structuring of the Department has been proposed to the Government and they are waiting the approval. The Chairman further stated that for better efficiency of the Department, a proper demarcation within the Department is necessary where-in energy accounting, bill payment and receipt, compilation of accounts and better utilization of man power could be made and expressed his happiness that the matter is being under consideration.

The Meeting ended at 1:55 p.m. with the vote of thanks from the Chair.

Sd/-NGANGOM SARAT SINGH
Chairperson

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Copy to:

1. P.S to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Mizoram for kind information to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
2. P.S to Hon'ble Minister, i/c P&E Department Govt. of Mizoram for kind information to Hon'ble Minister, i.c P&E Department.
3. PS to Secretary, P&E Department, Govt. of Mizoram for kind information to the Secretary and for taking necessary action on the Minutes of the Meeting.
4. All Members / Invitees of the State Advisory Committee for kind information and for taking necessary action on the Minutes of the Meeting.
5. Guard File.


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**List of Members and Participants who attended the 19th Meeting of
State Advisory Committee of Mizoram.**

Date & Time : 22nd February, 2018 (Thursday) 11:00 a.m.

Venue : P&E Department Conference Hall, Kawlphetha Building,
Secretariat Complex, Khatla, Aizawl, Mizoram.

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1	Ngangom Sarat Singh	Chairperson, JERC (M&M)
2	Lalramliana	C.E., P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
3	Prof. H. Lalramnghinglova	Member, SAC
4	Prof. Tlanglawma	Member, SAC
5	Vanlalruata	President, CYMA
6	C. Lalramliana	S.E. (Com), P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
7	J.H. Laithangliana	E.E. (Com), P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
8	Sanjib Mahji	Consultant, P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
9	Vanlalhlengliana	J.E. (Comm), P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
10	C.C. Lalrimawia	A.E. (Comm), P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
11	Thanchungnunga	Sr. E.E., PHE Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram (for E-in-C, PHE)
12	C. Lalbiakthanga	Addl. Director, Commerce & industries Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
13	Laltlanthangi	Under Secy (Tech.), P&E Deptt., Govt. of Mizoram
14	Richard Zothankima	Asst. Secy., JERC (M&M)
15	Dr. Chawngsailova	General Secy., Mizoram Consumers Union
16	H. Thanthianga	Asst. Chief (Engg.), JERC (M&M)
17	Lallianzuala	P.A.O., JERC (M&M)
18	Lalchharliana Pachuau	Chief (Engg.), JERC (M&M)
19	Michael Lalthanmawia	Secy., Mizoram Chamber of Industries