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TARIFF APPROVED FOR ASSAM POWER GENERATION COMPANY LIMITED (APGCL), ASSAM ELECTRICITY GRID CORPORATION LIMITED (AEGCL) & ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED (APDCL) FOR FY 2018-19, APPLICABLE WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1, 2018

- 1) The Commission had last revised the tariffs of APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL with effect from April 10, 2017, vide the Tariff Orders dated March 31, 2017. APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL filed their Petitions for approval of Trueing Up of Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2016-17, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2017-18 and determination of revised ARR and Tariff for FY 2018-19, which were admitted by the Commission on December 13, 2017.
- 2) Public Notices were issued by APGCL, AEGCL, and APDCL inviting objections/suggestions from stakeholders. The Commission, after considering all representations and issues raised during the Hearing and through written submissions, has issued the Tariff Orders for FY 2018-19, on March 19, 2018. The revised tariffs for APGCL, AEGCL and APDCL shall come into force from April 1, 2018.
- 3) The Commission has approved the station-wise ARR of APGCL for FY 2018-19, after considering the impact of the true-up for FY 2016-17. The Commission has approved the generation tariff of Rs. 3.06 per kWh for FY 2018-19 as against the generation tariff of Rs. 3.73 per kWh proposed by APGCL.
- 4) The Commission has approved the ARR (including SLDC Charges) of AEGCL for FY 2018-19 at Rs. 1161 Crore as against the ARR of Rs. 1336 Crore proposed by AEGCL, after considering the impact of the true-up for FY 2016-17. The Commission has approved the Transmission Charge of Rs. 1.24 per kWh for FY 2018-19 as against the Transmission Charge of Rs. 1.37 per kWh proposed by AEGCL. The approved Transmission Charge of AEGCL includes Rs. 0.59 per kWh of Transmission Charges payable to PGCIL.
- 5) The salient features of the Commission's Order for APDCL are as follows:
 - a) The Commission has approved the cumulative revenue requirement of Rs. 5721 crore for APDCL for FY 2018-19, as against Rs. 6321 crore proposed by APDCL.



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- b) After truing up for FY 2016-17 and considering the stand-alone Revenue Requirement for FY 2018-19, the Cumulative Revenue Surplus works out to Rs. 109.56 crore, the benefit of which has been passed to the consumer by revising the tariff.
- c) The Average Cost of Supply (ACOS) for FY 2018-19 works out to Rs. 7.35 per kWh, as against APDCL's proposal of Rs. 7.82 per kWh and existing effective ACOS of Rs. 7.49 per kWh.
- d) (i) The Energy Charges have been reduced by 20 to 30 paise per unit (except for Jeevan Dhara and Public Lighting).
(ii) On analysis, it was seen that around 61% of the ARR of APDCL comprises fixed costs. However, only 12% of the Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) is recovered through Fixed/Demand Charges. Hence, the Commission has marginally increased the Fixed/Demand Charges for most categories, except 2-3 categories where the Fixed/Demand Charges are already higher than that of other categories. With the revision in Fixed/Demand Charges, APDCL will be able to recover only around 14% of the ARR through the Fixed/Demand Charges.
(iii) This has resulted in an overall decrease of 2% (14 paise/unit) as compared to the existing tariff.
- e) Night off-peak rebate has been increased from Rs. 0.50 per kWh to Rs. 1.50 per kWh, in order to incentivise HT industrial consumer categories to shift more of their consumption to night off-peak hours, thereby increasing the utilisation of power within the State.
- f) A rebate of 3% and 1.5% in the Energy Charges has been introduced for taking supply at 132 kV and 33 kV, respectively, for all consumers.
- g) The existing and revised category-wise tariffs applicable for APDCL for FY 2018-19 with effect from April 1, 2018, have been given in the Annexure enclosed.
- h) APDCL shall levy category-wise tariffs after adjusting the amount of category-wise subsidy, if provided by the Government of Assam, as at present.



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Annexure: Category-wise tariff for APDCL's consumers applicable with effect from April 1, 2018

| Sl. No. | Consumer Category | Existing Tariff | | Increase/(Decrease) in Tariff | | Revised tariff | |
|------------|---|---|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| | | Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth) | Energy Charges (paise per kWh) | Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth) | Energy Charges (paise per kWh) | Fixed Charges (Rs/kW/mth or Rs/kVA/mth) | Energy Charges (paise per kWh) |
| | LT Category | | | | | | |
| LT-1 | Jeevan Dhara 0.5 kW and 1 kWh/day | 15 | 470 | 5 | (10) | 20 | 460 |
| LT-II | Domestic A- below 5 kW | | | | | | |
| | 0 to 120 units per month | 30 | 565 | 10 | (20) | 40 | 545 |
| | 121 to 240 units per month | 30 | 690 | 10 | (20) | 40 | 670 |
| | Balance units | 30 | 790 | 10 | (20) | 40 | 770 |
| LT-III | Domestic-B 5 kW and above up to 25 kW | 30 | 750 | 10 | (20) | 40 | 730 |
| LT-IV | Commercial Load above 0.5 kW and up to 25 kW | 110 | 820 | 10 | (30) | 120 | 790 |
| LT-V | General Purpose Supply | 125 | 700 | 10 | (20) | 135 | 680 |
| LT-VI | Public Lighting | 120 | 715 | 0 | (50) | 120 | 665 |
| LT-VII | Agriculture upto 25 kW | 30 | 495 | 10 | (30) | 40 | 465 |
| LT-VIII(i) | Small Industries Rural upto 25 kW | 30 | 550 | 10 | (30) | 40 | 520 |



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| LT-VIII(ii) | Small Industries Urban upto 25 kW | 40 | 575 | 10 | (30) | 50 | 545 |
| LT-IX | Temporary Supply | | | | | | |
| | Domestic | 80 | 944 | No Change | No Change | 80 | 944 |
| | Non-Domestic Non-Agriculture | 125 | 1154 | No Change | No Change | 125 | 1154 |
| | Agriculture | 50 | 519 | No Change | No Change | 50 | 519 |
| | HT Category | | | | | | |
| HT-I | HT Domestic above 25 kW (30 kVA) | 30 | 750 | 10 | (20) | 40 | 730 |
| HT-II | HT commercial above 25 kW (30 kVA) | 135 | 830 | 10 | (30) | 145 | 800 |
| HT-III | Public Water Works | 125 | 670 | 10 | (30) | 135 | 640 |
| HT-IV | Bulk Supply above 25 kW (30 kVA) | | | | | | |
| HT-IV(i) | Government Educational Institutions | 120 | 705 | 10 | (25) | 130 | 680 |
| HT-IV(ii) | Others | 160 | 785 | 10 | (20) | 170 | 765 |
| HT-V(A) | HT Small Industries above 25 kW (30 kVA) and upto 50 kVA | 50 | 620 | 10 | (30) | 60 | 590 |
| HT- | HT Industries-1 50 | 120 | 685 | 10 | (30) | 130 | 655 |



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| V(B) | kVA to 150 kVA | | | | | | |
| HT-V(C) | HT Industries-II above 150 kVA (Option 1) | 160 | 750 | 20 | (30) | 180 | 720 |
| | HT Industries-II above 150 kVA (Option 2) | 290 | 665 | 10 | (15) | 300 | 650 |
| HT-VI | Tea, Coffee & Rubber | 230 | 750 | 0 | (30) | 230 | 720 |
| HT-VII | Oil & Coal | 300 | 810 | 0 | (30) | 300 | 780 |
| HT-VIII | HT Irrigation Load above 25 kW (30 kVA) | 50 | 650 | 10 | (35) | 60 | 615 |
| HT-IX | HT Temporary Supply | 160 | 920 | No Change | No Change | 160 | 920 |
| HT-X | HT Electric Crematorium | 160 | 450 | No Change | No Change | 160 | 450 |