

CHAPTER – 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Ltd.:

The Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Ltd., (GESCOM) is a Distribution Licensee under Section 14 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the Act). The GESCOM is responsible for purchase of power, distribution and retail supply of electricity to its consumers and also providing infrastructure for Open Access, Wheeling and Banking in its area of operation which includes six Districts of the State as indicated below:



1. Bellary
2. Bidar
3. Kalaburagi
4. Koppala
5. Raichur
6. Yadgiri

The GESCOM is a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956, incorporated on 30th April, 2002 and commenced its operations on 1st June, 2002.

At present GESCOM's area of operations is structured as follows:

O&M Zones	O&M Circles	O&M Divisions
Gulbarga zone	Gulbarga Circle	Gulbarga CSC Division
		Gulbarga Rural-I Division
		Gulbarga Rural-II Division
		Sedam Division
	Bidar Circle	Bidar Division
		Humnabad Division
Yadagir Division		
Bellary Zone	Bellary Circle	Bellary CSC Division
		Bellary Rural Division
		Hospet Division
		Rural Division
	Raichur Circle	Raichur CSC Division
		Raichur Rural Division
		Sindanoor Division
		Gangavathi Division
		Koppal Division

The O & M divisions of GESCOM are further divided into sub-divisions. Each sub-division is having two to three O& M section offices.

The section offices are the base level offices looking into operation and maintenance of the distribution system in order to provide reliable and quality power supply to GESCOM's consumers.

1.1 GESCOM at a glance:

The profile of GESCOM is as indicated below:

Sl. No.	Particulars (As on 30-09-2017)		Statistics
1.	Area	Sq. km.	43861
2.	Districts	Nos.	6
3.	Taluks	Nos.	31
4.	Population	lakhs	121.10
5.	Consumers	lakhs	2891342
6.	Energy Consumption for FY17	MU	3210.85
7.	Zone	Nos.	2
8.	DTCs	Nos.	89436
9.	Assets	Rs. in Crores	2753.39
10.	HT lines	Ckt. kms	59367.23
11.	LT lines	Ckt. kms	85607.90
12.	Total employees strength:		
A	Sanctioned	Nos.	10292
B	Working	Nos.	7110
13.	Revenue Demand	Rs. in Crores	2068.99
14.	Revenue Collection	Rs. in Crores	1956.63

1.2 Number of Consumers, Sales in MU and Revenue details of GESCOM upto September 2017 during FY18 is as follows:

CATEGORY	GESCOM for 2017-18 (up to Sept 2017)		
	No. of Installations	Sales in MU	Revenue in Rs.Crs.
Domestic	2178246	723.51	408.88
Commercial	248995	204.91	180.48
Industrial	62156	511.08	424.50
Agriculture	348372	1467.10	806.34
Others	53573	304.25	248.78
Total	2891342	3210.85	2068.98

GESCOM has filed its application for approval of Annual Performance Review for FY17, Revision of Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY19 and revision of Retail Supply Tariff for FY19.

GESCOM's application, the objections / views of stakeholders thereon and the Commission's decisions on the approval of Annual Performance Review for FY 17, Revision of ARR for FY19 and Revision of Retail Supply Tariff for FY19 are discussed in detail in the subsequent Chapters of this Order.