CHAPTER-1 About GESCOM

PREAMBLE:

- GESCOM is filing its Annual Performance Review for FY-20, projected Annual Revenue Requirement for the Financial years FY-22 and Tariff Petition for FY-22 as per KERC (Term and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulation, 2006.
- Structure of the filing comprises of;
 - a. GESCOM Profile
 - b. Annual Performance Review for FY-20.
 - c. Annual Revenue Requirement.
 - d. Revenue, Income and Revenue Deficit
 - e. Compliance to Hon'ble Commission's Directives.
 - f. Tariff Revision Proposal for FY-22.
 - g. Proposed Electricity Tariff Schedule for FY-22.
 - h. Additional surcharge and cross subsidy charge
 - i. Prayer.
- The Hon'ble Commission is requested to consider the proposal of Annual Performance Review for FY-20, Proposed Annual Revenue Requirement for the Financial year FY-22 and Tariff petition for FY-22. GESCOM submits that it has made sincere efforts to comply with the requirements of KERC (Tariff) Regulations and KERC (Terms and Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Distribution and Retail Sale of Electricity) Regulation, 2006.

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1.1: Profile of GESCOM

Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Ltd., (GESCOM) is a Distribution Licensee under Section 14 of the Electricity Act 2003 (hereinafter referred to as Act). GESCOM is responsible for purchase of power, distribution and retail supply of electricity to its consumer and also providing infrastructure for open access, Wheeling and Banking in its area of operation which includes Six Districts Viz., Bidar, Kalaburagi, Yadgir, Raichur, Koppal and Ballari of the state as indicated below.

Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Limited (GECOM) is a registered company under the Companies Act, 1956, incorporated on 30thApril 2002 and commenced its operation on 1stJune 2002. The registered office of the Company is located at Station Main Road, Kalaburagi -585 102.

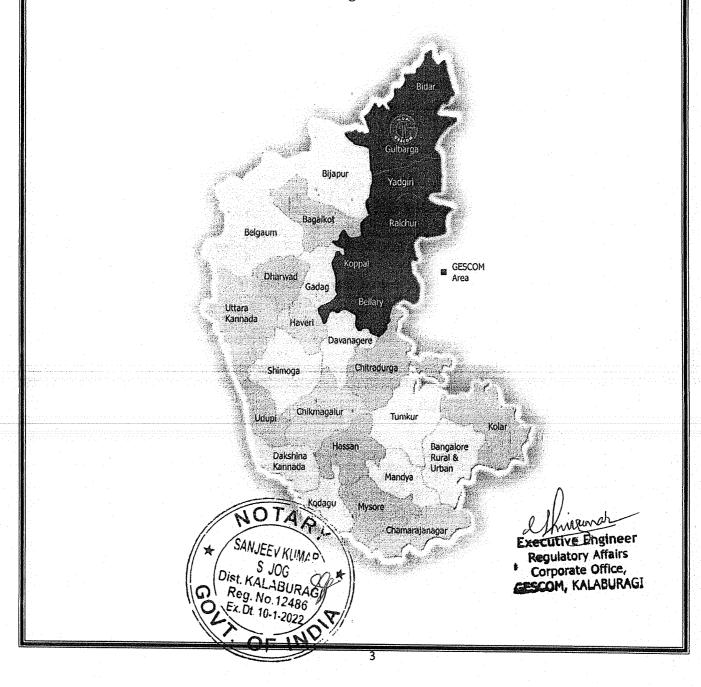


Table-1: GESCOM Profile

GE Sl. No	SCOM (CIN: U04010KA2002SGC030		
	Particulars (As on 30.09	Statistics	
1.	Area	Sq.km.	43861
2.	Districts	Nos.	6
3.	Taluka's	Nos.	49
4.	Population (as per 2011 census)	Crores	1.12
5.	Consumers as on Sept-2020	In Lakhs	3304591
6.	O & M Distribution Zone	Nos.	2
7.	No. of O&M Circles	Nos.	5
8.	No. of O&M Divisions	Nos.	16
9.	No. of O&M Sub-Divisions	Nos.	54
10.	Energy Consumption (FY-21 up to Sept-20)	MU	3463.74
11.	Demand (FY-21 up to Sept-20)	Rs. in Crores	2422.95
12.	Collection (FY-21 up to Sept-20)	Rs. in Crores	2154.23
13.	Assets (FY-21) (Up to Sept-20)	Rs. in Crores	4092.40
14.	33KV HT line	R. Kms	2806.53
15.	11 kV HT lines	R. kms.	68157.71
16.	Stations		
	a) 220 kV	Nos.	17
	b) 110 kV	Nos.	122
	c) 66 KV	Nos.	24
	d) 33 kV	Nos.	150
	DTCs	Nos.	110114
	LT lines	R. Kms	90426.90
17.	Total employees strength:		
	a) Sanctioned	Nos.	10112
	b) Working	Nos.	7129

1.2 Mission Statement of GESCOM

The mission of the GESCOM is to ensure reliable quality power to its customers at competitive prices. The GESCOM is committed to achieve this mission through:

Encouraging best practices in bist Out on.

Encouraging high order maintenance of its technical facility.

• Emphasizing the best standards in customer service and

Optimizing its human and technical resources for the benefit of all its customers".

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Table-2
GESCOM's area of operation is structured as below.

O&M Zone	O&M Circle	O&M Division	O&M Sub-division		
			1	City Sub-Division-1	
		Kalaburagi	2	City Sub-Division-2	
		Urban	3	City Sub-Division-3	
		•	4	City Sub-Division-4	
			5	Gulbarga Rural	
		** 1 1	6	Aland	
		Kalaburagi	7	Kadaganchi	
		Rural-1	8	Afzalpur	
		e in the second	9	Chowdapur	
			10	Jewargi	
	Kalaburagi	77 1 1	11	Yedrami	
		Kalaburagi	12	Shahabad	
		Rural-2	13	Chittapura	
			14	Kalagi	
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		Sedam	16	Chincholi	
			17	Yadgir	
			18	Gurmitkal	
		Yadgir		······································	
		raugn	19	Surapura	
			20	Hunasagi	
			21	Shahapura	
			22	Bidar	
	Bidar	Bidar	23	Bhalki	
			24	Kamathana	
			25	Aurad	
		. 77	26	Humanabad	
	1. 14.	Humanabad	27	Basavakalyana	
			28	Mann-E-Khalli	
		Ballari Urban	29	City Sub-Division-1	
			30	City Sub-Division-2	
			31	Ballari Rural	
	Ballari	Ballari Rural	32	Sanduru	
			33	Siraguppa	
		HosapetUrban	34	City Sub-Division-1	
		F F	35	City Sub-Division-2	
			36	Hosapete Rural	
		Hosapete Rural	37	Kudligi	
Ballari		nosupete marai	38	HagariBommanahal	
Dana.			39	Hadagali	
		Raichur Urban	40_	City Sub-Division-1	
		Traicinal Orban	4N	O fity Sub-Division-2	
			42.	200 Raichur Rural	
	Raichur	Raichur Rural	434	Ervku Manvi	
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		49	Koppala
	Koppala	50	Munirabad
Koppala		51	Yelaburga
Roppala		52	Gangavati
 	Gangavati	53	Karatagi
		54	Kustagi

Each sub-division is having four to nine 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 consumers.

The region is developed in education field and have three no of universities in Gulbarga itself. Also there is university for agricultural sciences in Raichur. The three rivers (Tungabhadra, Bheema, and Krishna) flowing through this region, provide little respite to the farmer's dependence on rain. Dams constructed across Tungabhadra River in Ballari District and Krishna River in Kalaburagi District have obviated this dependence to certain extent. Bore wells and open wells run dry during summer. The primary crops cultivated in this area are Paddy, Sugarcane, Pulses, Jawar, Cotton etc.

1.3 Industries and Power Generation

The prestigious Raichur Thermal Power Station (RTPS), Bellary Thermal Power Station (BTPS), Yaramarus Thermal Power Station (YTPS) and the Hydel Power Generation unit at Munirabad which are owned by KPCL and also number of Independent Power Producing units are located in the GESCOM area. The industrial scenario is doted by small and big Steel & Cement, Dal, Sugar and Edible Oil Industries.

1.4 Distribution Network

The following statistics provide a brief overview on some of GESCOM's distribution network.

As on 30.09.2020, the distribution network of the Company comprises of 17 Nos., of 220 kV, 122 Nos., of 110 kV, 24 Nos., of 66kV and 150Nos., of 33 kV stations, 2806.53 kms of 33 KV line, 68157.71 R.kms of 11 kV line, 90426.90 R.kms of LT line and 110114Nos., of Distribution Transformer Centres.

1.5 Human Resource

As on 30.09.2020, the total working sanctioned posts of 10112. The Company to the consumers.

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The study of the man power requirement based on the existing job analysis is under way. Emphasis is given on training of the employees on various subjects and fields in order to meet the challenges before it effectively.

1.6 Customer Service

Customer service has been improved in the area of billing significantly after the computerization of the billing system in all the sub-divisions.

1.7 Centralized Customer Care Centre at Kalaburagi

GESCOM has established Centralized Customer Care Centre at Kalaburagi. Customers can dial the Short Code Toll Free Number 1912 to register their all types of complaints viz.

1) No power supply complaint 2) Line breakdowns 3) Transformer failures 4) Hazardous locations 5) Billing related issues 6) Re-connection after payment of dues etc.

In customer care centre51nos of operators and 15 desk is working around the clock in three shifts, this has improved in decrease of call drops and has improved consumer satisfaction.

56 nos of 24X7 vehicles are given to subdivision to address operational constraints and outages. Apart from 1912 for attending fuse off call, internet can be used for lodging complaints regarding interruption of power supply through Facebook, Whatsapp and Gmail, Twitter.

1.8 Electricity Bill payment facility to Consumers:

- 1. Customers can select the links of the respective GESCOM consumer Web portals for payment of their electricity Bills on https://gescom.karnataka.gov.in/. Further the charges in case of Net-Banking mode are fully borne by GESCOM.
- 2. Consequent to Onboarding onto BBPS Platform, our customers can now opt to pay their Bills through the Bill-Pay option available through all major banks (around 40 banks/financial Cos) availing the facility provided under BBPS. On an average around 1.5 to I.6 Lakhs transaction are recorded every month.
- 3. Customers can also avail the payment facility through the mobile Apps such as PayTm, Amazon Pay, Google Pay, Airtel Wallet, Mobikwik etc.

4. Customers can also directly pay through the Gol / NPCI developed payment interface BHIM.

5. Effective from 1st of Feb-2019, Customers, Cards in all the urban area cash counters.

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6. Besides the above, customers can pay the bills through GESCOM cash counters, Karnataka One (Gulbargaone, Bidar One, Bellary One, Raichur One etc) counters and also all our Gram VidyutPrathinidi / Micro Feeder franchisee collect the payments of Electricity bills.

1.9 New 33/11kV Sub-Stations Commissioned:

In the FY 2019-20, 11Nos of new and 2 Nos., of Augmentation 33/11 kV substations were commissioned, out of which 09 were conventional air-insulated outdoor sub-stations and 02 were new Gas Insulated Substations (GIS).

Conventional Namely:

- 1) Baddepalli in Yadgir (Tq. & Dist.)
- 2) Rupangudi in Ballari (Tq. & Dist.)
- 3) Sugur in Shorapur (Tq.), Yadgir Dist.
- 4) Gunda in Sindhanoor (Tq.) Raichur Dist.
- 5) Kamalapur in Kamalapur (Tq.) Kalaburagi Dist.,
- 6) Kadechur in Yadgir (Tq. & Dist.)
- 7) Lingadalli in Gangavathi (Tq.) Koppal Dist.,
- 8) Hiremyageri in Yelburga (Tq.) Koppal Dist.
- 9) Kudidarga in Jewargi (Tq.), Kalaburagi Dist.

GIS Namely:1) Shantinagar 2) KCT Gate in Kalaburagi City.

Augmentation of S/S: 02Nos. (i.e. Providing of additional 5MVA).

- 1) Jambaga in Kalaburagi (Tq. & Dist.)
- 2) Sagar in Shahapur (Tq.), Yadgir Dist.
- **1.10 In the FY 2020-21:** The following new 33/11 kV Sub-Stations & Augmentation works were completed & commissioned.
 - 1) Mamadadoddi in Raichur (Tq. & Dist.)

Augmentation of S/S: 03Nos. (i.e. Providing of additional 5MVA).

- 1) Malli in Yedrami (Tq.) Kalaburagi Dist.
- 2) Ratkal in Chincholi (Tq.), Kalaburagi Dist.
- 3) Rodalbanda in Lingasugur (Tq.) Raichur Dist.

Further, GESCOM had called the tender for 03Nos of new Sub-Station & which were awarded & works are under progress subelow:

1.11 Ongoing Sub-Stations' Work 60

1) Nelgi in Bhalki (Tq.), Bidakilist.

2) Khashempur in Aurad (Tq.)

3) Hirebommanal in Koppal

Regulatory Affairs (Corporate Office, GESCOM, KALABURAGI It has enabled the Company to provide quality and reliable power supply to the customers with minimal interruptions.

GESCOM is thriving to give quality power supply continuously for 7 hours to IP Sets in the morning hours.

2000 nos of. junior line men are recruited to improve service efficiency and they are attending line faults efficiently.

- IT cell is created in corporate office to address IT related issue in RAPDRP town and cities.
- Energy audit cell is created for monitoring energy audit.
- IP set feeder are bifurcated to improve quality power supply.
- Feeder Reliability Index is prepared monthly and submitted to Hon'ble KERC and also hoisted in GESCOM website which is useful in analyzing interruption and outages and hours of quality power supply.
- Due to IPDS and RAPDRP works system improvement has done considerably by improving HT:LT ratioto 1:1.33 (68157.71 KM: 90426.90 KM)

1.12 LT & HT Category Sales comparison:

Table-3: Improved metered category billing

Category	FY-20 Sales in MU	FY-19 Sales in MU	Increase/ Decrease	% age increase / decrease.
НТ	1445.72	1494.50	-48.78	-3.26%
LT	5738.45	6033.80	-295.35	-4.89%
Total	7184.17	7528.30	-344.13	-4.57%

The sales under LT category has decreased to -4.89% during FY-20 against in FY19. The reduction HT sales during FY-20 is due to consumer opting for open access and slowdown in overall economical activities in commerce and Industries segment in FY-20 over FY-19. The industrial consumption is lesser by 55 MU compared to previous year consumption in HT-2(a) category.

Reduction in IP Set Sales:

In LT-4(a) category IP Sets consumption is reduced by 460.97 MU compared to previous year consumption i.e., in FY-19. This could be seen because of abnormal rainfall in the region effecting the agriculture activity.

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Number of Consumers, Sales in MU and Revenue details of (up to Sept. 20) is as follows?

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 CATEGORY
 No. of Installations
 Sales in MU
 Revenue In Crs.

 Domestic
 2460671
 886.11
 551.91

 Commercial
 291969
 198.18
 198.43

Industrial	69655	483.56	461.64
Agriculture	407054	1513.12	897.65
Others	75242	382.77	313.31
Total	3304591	3463.74	2422.94

As of now 3304591 number of consumers are availing power supply from GESCOM in various categories.

Vigilance Activities.

GESCOM has taken vigilance activities to curb theft of Electricity. This has aimed at improving the revenue by decreasing theft of energy. Through Vigilance activities, Unauthorised IP Set on Nirantara Jyoti Feeders have been disconnected leading to reduction in Distribution losses. Also, vigilance activities were focused on maximizing the booking of theft cases & recovery of penalties. The progress of Vigilance Activities during the financial year (Up to Sept-2020) the Company has booked 4101 cases and penalties to an extent of Rs 13.24 Crores has been levied. Other initiatives like, conducting of Mass raids by vigilance wings are carried out also replacing of MNR meters, regularization of unauthorized connections, mass disconnection drive etc., are also underway.

Table :- 5
Vigilance Activities

Vignance Activities						
Sl. No	Particulars	Level-1	Level-2	Level-3	Level-4	Total
1	Total number of installations inspected	10	157	58810	31833	90810
2	Total number of cases booked	6	44	2543	1508	4101
3	Cognizable cases	4	7	141	600	752
4	Back Billed amount in Lakhs	0.56	1.10	8.20	41.34	45.40
5	Compounding charges (Rs. In Lakhs)	0.00	1.00	2.40	11.18	20.38
6	Non cognizable cases	2	37	2402	908	3349
7	Back Billed amount in Lakhs	0.00	2.10	596.20	659.99	1258.29
	Total penalty levied CC & NC cases (Rs. In lakhs)	0.56	4.20	606.80	712.51	1324.07

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