To

All EIC/CE Operation Zones,
P.S.P.C.L.

Memo No. 83/87 /SSM-414
Dated: 11/2/2015

Subject: Diversification of Agriculture.

As per the decision of Hon'ble PSERC in Petition No. 49/2013, in order to encourage diversification in the agriculture sector and promote livestock farming following new categories have been introduced:-

1. Goat Farming:
   i. Consumer in the profession of Goat Farming shall be covered under relevant Industrial Tariff.
   ii. Such connection shall be given to a person rearing the minimum number of 20 or more goats and after submission of the certificate by the Animal Husbandry Department.
   iii. The goat farm shall be housed in separate distinct premises.
   iv. The misuse of power supply provided for goat farming shall be strictly prohibited. In case any consumer is found misusing electricity supply for any purpose other than goat farming his connection shall be liable for disconnection immediately without any notice and further action as per relevant provisions of PSERC Supply Regulation against misuse of electricity shall be taken.

2. Pig Farming:
   i. Consumer in the profession of Pig Farming shall be covered under relevant Industrial Tariff.
   ii. Such connection shall be given to a person rearing the minimum number of 10 or more pigs and after submission of the certificate by the Animal Husbandry Department.
iii. The pig farm shall be housed in separate distinct premises.

iv. The misuse of power supply provided for pig farming shall be strictly prohibited. In case any consumer is found misusing electricity supply for any purpose other than pig farming his connection shall be liable for disconnection immediately without any notice and further action as per relevant provisions of PSERC Supply Regulation against misuse of electricity shall be taken.

The herd size for both goat farming and pig farming, as 20 or more and 10 or more respectively have been defined by the Director/Animal husbandry, Punjab vide their office memo no. 2129 dated 04.02.2015.

3. AP High Density Farming

Punjab Agriculture University has defined that the concentration of plants in AP high density farming for orchard/vegetable is more than 1.5 times the normal agriculture/farming. In line with the order issued by the Hon'ble commission, a separate category for AP High Density farming is coined. The connection to the applicant under AP High Density farming shall be released subject to the following terms and conditions

i. AP High Density farming shall be treated at par with AP High Tech category for the purpose of tariff i.e. AP metered tariff.

ii. The farmers opting for connection under AP High Density category shall furnish a certificate from Chief Agriculture Officer/Director Horticulture Department to the effect that farming being carried out by the applicant is covered under High Density farming as per the state government policy.

iii. The consumer shall be required to pay the monthly bill for the electric current consumed as per AP tariff fixed by the Hon'ble PSERC from time to time based on consumption recorded on the installed meter.

iv. Applicant shall be required to pay the actual expenditure incurred in providing the connection as per clause-9.1.2 of Supply Code 2014.

v. Security (consumption) will be computed @ Rs 200/-per BHP or as revised by PSERC from time to time.

vi. Connection shall be allowed through HVDS from the nearest UPS or Category-1 feeder by installing individual transformer subject to technical constraints i.e. right of way, loading of the feeder, technical feasibility etc to be certified by Sr.Xen /ASE/DS.
Processing of applications for issue of demand notice and release of connection shall be subject to the outcome of the case (original application 09/2014 Safal Bharat Guru Parampara Vs State of Punjab & Others) pending with the National Green Tribunal New Delhi.

Further, in order to promote the Diversification of Agriculture it has been decided that Dairy farming, Fish farming (exclusive), Goat farming and Pig farming categories, which are covered under relevant schedule of Industrial Tariff shall be billed to the consumer under AP metered tariff subject to payment of advance monthly subsidy (difference of Industrial tariff and AP metered tariff) by the State Government. This aspect shall be taken care by the office of Financial Advisor/PSPCL, Dy CE/Billing/PSPCL as well as CE/ARR&TR/PSPCL and they shall ensure that requisite subsidy is timely claimed from the Government of Punjab as per directive of Hon'ble PSERC.

Meticulous compliance of the above instructions may be ensured.

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