

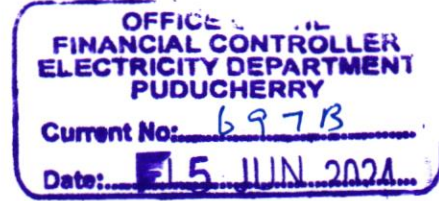
AS-14 EHV
No.1098/ED/EE-EHV/JE/F-17/2024-25

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT

Puducherry, dt. 05-06-2024

To

The Senior Audit Officer,
O/o Principal Accountant General (Audit – II),
Branch Office,
Puducherry – 605001.



Sir,

Sub: Electricity Department, Puducherry – EE-EHV – Reply
furnished to the Audit Slip No.14 – Reg .

Ref: Audit Slip No.14, dt 28-05-2024

Referring to the captioned subject, the details RDSS scheme pertaining to Audit Slip No.14 is furnished in the Annexure enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,


EXECUTIVE ENGINEER-EHV

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Copy to

The Financial Controller,
Electricity Department,
Puducherry.

Copy submitted to:

The Superintending Engineer – cum – HOD
Electricity Department
Puducherry

ANNEXURE

- (i) Component wise Grants received and expenditure incurred till date including PMA charges may please be furnished in the following format. Further, mention separately, if any, loan availed from PFC to meet out the expenditure.

The reply is furnished hereunder:

Component / Year	Smart metering				Distribution Infrastructure works			
	Amount released by (Rs. In crs)			Expenditure incurred	Amount released by (Rs. In crs)			Expenditure incurred in Rs.
	GOI	GOP	PFC		GOI	GOP	PF C	
2021-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2022-23	-	-	-	-	2.49	-	-	
2023-24	-	-	-	-	2.49	-	-	Rs. 3,40,874/-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	2.455	-	-	
Total								

- a) As per RDSS guidelines, the GOI will release 5% of the Grant fund on sanction of the project by the Monitoring Committee of RDSS. Accordingly, the GOI had released an amount of Rs. 2.49 crs during the FY 2022-23 in the Treasury Single Account in RBI specifically opened for this project. Since, the project was in the initial stage of tendering, the released Grant fund could not be utilized and the fund was automatically reverted back to RBI on 31.3.2023 as per the RBI Guidelines.
- b) The GoI has again released the amount of Rs. 2.49 crs during the FY 2023-24, out of which an amount of Rs. 3,40,874/- has been utilized for making payment to the PMA charges appointed under this project. Since, the work is yet to be awarded, as the approval for awarding the same has been awaited from the Govt. , the balance of Rs. 2.455 crs was reverted back to PFC account as per the direction of MoP, GoI.
- c) Presently, the Grant fund of Rs. 2.455 crs has been released by the MoP on 24-05-2024 and the same is available in the TSA.
- d) No Grant fund is released so far for Smart Metering works.
- (ii) Further, Component wise physical progress achieved till date may please be furnished to audit along with a write up of works executed and it's present status.

Component/ Year	Smart metering			Distribution Infrastructure works			
	No. of meters installed		Percentage of target achieved	ACS-ARR Gap			AT & C loss
2021-22			-				
2022-23			-				
2023-24			-				
2024-25			-				
Total			-				

The target approved in the DPR is enclosed as Annexure - A

Note: 1) The sanctioned Distribution Infrastructure works are yet to be awarded, as the approval for awarding the same is awaited from the Govt. The write up on the status of project is furnished in the Annexure- B.

2) A note on the status of Smart Metering works is furnished in Annexure- C.

(iii) Files relating to award of works for all packages, tender files, work orders etc. may please be furnished.

The works are yet to be awarded. Successful bidder finalized for Package- 1 & 2. Sanction/ approval of Govt. is awaited for awarding the works. Successful bidder is under finalization for Package- 5. Relevant files had already been furnished to Audit for reference.

(iv) District wise and project area wise bifurcation of work and project cost approved for Infrastructure-Loss reduction works may please be furnished to audit.

The details of district wise sanction of the project is enclosed as Annexure – D.

(v) Whether utilization certificates were submitted for the release of funds by Govt. of India? If so, Copies of the UC may please be furnished.

The copy of UC so far furnished is enclosed - Annexure – E

(vi) Whether scheme implementation agreement was made with the Nodal Agency on behalf of MoP? If so copy of the agreement may be furnished.

The copy of the Tripartite Agreement executed for implementation of the RDSS project is enclosed Annexure – F.

(vii) PED has to ensure updation of baseline data, Physical & financial progress, quality monitoring, fund management, Asset management through Geo-tagging and achievements for evaluation etc. on the digital platform to be developed by nodal agencies. Whether the digital platform was developed and all the data was uploaded in that platform? If so, URL may be furnished to audit to see the data.

PED uploaded the baseline data in the RDSS portal. The details of Physical & financial progress, quality monitoring, fund management, Asset management through Geo-tagging and achievements for evaluation etc. will subsequently be uploaded in the RDSS portal, after the award of works. The URL link for digital platform developed by the Ministry of Power for this project is furnished below

["https://rdss.powermin.gov.in"](https://rdss.powermin.gov.in)

- (viii) Whether PED met the prequalification criteria and achieved the specified marks in the Result Evaluation Matrix? If so, Copy of the evaluation reports may please be furnished. If not, reasons may be stated.

The PED qualified in the prequalification criteria evaluation for the year FY-21-22 (Copy enclosed) (Annexure – G). The prequalification criteria evaluation for the year FY-22-23 is under progress. The prequalification criteria evaluation for the year FY-23-24 will be carried out subsequently.

- (ix) As per Para 6.2.1 of RDSS guidelines, a Mid-term evaluation of the scheme would be taken up by Ministry of power on basis of progress made by the scheme beneficiaries as demonstrated by results obtained for FY 2021-22, FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24. Whether any such evaluation has been taken up by Mop? If so, copy of the evaluation report may please be furnished to audit.

Presently, the yearly prequalification criteria evaluation is only being carried.


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