



Chhattisgarh State Electricity Regulatory Commission

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Suo Motu Petition No. 40/2005(M)

Suo motu

Against

Chhattisgarh State Electricity Board, Raipur - Respondent

Copy of Order in order sheet dated 11.11.2005

I have gone through the letter of the Board submitted on 24th October, 2005 (No.02-02/ACE-I/3064) on the subject before the notice dated 29th October, 2005 was issued and their reply to the notice submitted vide letter No.02-02/ACE-I/3245 dated 9th November, 2005. The explanation submitted by the Board about their inability to obtain the approval of the Commission before buying power from any source is not satisfactory. The Board has also not clarified why they want to persist with the purchase of power at a rate much higher than the rate approved by the Commission and at which power is available locally.

2. In view of the above, the Commission does not approve the proposed purchase of power from the three parties as mentioned in the Commission's letter No.1134/CSERC/2005 dated 29th October, 2005. If any purchase is made from these sources, the resultant loss to the Board shall be recovered from the persons responsible for the decision to purchase.

3. The Board has clearly contravened the provisions of Sec. 86(1)(b) of the Electricity Act and also the clear directions of the Commission given in the tariff order dated 15th June, 2005. This act of the Board is punishable under Sec. 142 of the said Act. The Board has not offered any satisfactory explanation as to why the penalty should not be imposed. The Commission, therefore, orders that a penalty of Rs.25,000/- (Rs. Twenty five thousand only) be imposed on the Board. In case the Board persists with violation of the provisions of the Act and the directions of this Commission, it shall be liable to pay a penalty of Rs.1000/- per day for the period during which the failure to comply continues.

4. If the Hon'ble Member agrees, orders as above will be passed and conveyed to the CSEB for immediate compliance.

I am in agreement.

Sd/-
Chairman

Sd/-
Member

True Copy

(N.K.Rupwani)
Secretary

