



ASSAM ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

FILE NO. AERC.157/2005/Pt.-I/53

ORDER SHEET

28.06.2016 The Assam Electricity Regulatory Commission has notified the Draft Assam Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2014 (First Amendment) 2016 on 04.06.2016 and placed in the official website of the Commission for a period of 21 (twenty one) days as previous publication under sub-section (3) of Section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 for comments / objection, suggestion if any from any person who is likely to be affected by the provision of this Regulation. In response to the Draft Regulations, only 1 (one) petition was received during the period of 21 (twenty one) days i.e. upto 25.06.2016.

Seen the petition dated 21.06.2016 of Ms. Panchamrita Sharma, Consultant (Finance, Database and Consumer Advocacy), AERC against the Draft Assam Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2014 (First Amendment) 2016. Ms. Panchamrita Sharma is getting her monthly remuneration as per the clause 7.4 of the Assam Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2014 (notified on 07.01.2015) vide order No. AERC. 78/2004/209 dated 21.08.2015. Accordingly, Ms. Sharma executed the 1 (one) year contract for engagement w.e.f 01.07.2015 to 30.06.2016. Therefore, there is no scope to raise or reopen the issues of lower remuneration for the period for which contract has already been signed. Therefore, objections of Ms. Sharma that draft amendments would have adverse repercussions on her pay does not appear to be valid.

As regards, the proposed amendments of Assam Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2014, it appears to be reasonable as this would bring in transparency in re-fixation of the remuneration of the Consultants which are re-engaged on contractual terms on expiry of the previous contract period giving them annual raise which will also take care of inflation etc.

With the above decision, the amendments to the AERC (Terms and Conditions of Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2014 is made final.

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