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Sir,

Minutes of Special meeting held on 06.03.2017 at ERPC Kolkata for addressing ER-NER issues and pertaining to power transactions with Bhutan have been issued with the approval of Member Secretary and available for download at www.erpc.gov.in.

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Yours faithfully,

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Member Secretary, ERPC welcomed the participants and briefly explained the issues to be discussed. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

List of participants at Annexure A.

1. Cost of Re-imported power through Kurichhu Transmission system from Assam grid.

Based on CERC order in Petition No.150/MP/2015 dated 13.06.2016 the settlement of re-import of power through Kurichhu transmission system from Assam Grid is to be done on Deviation rates at average frequency. As the deviation rates are very low due to stabilization of frequency around 50Hz this rate is insufficient to meet APDCL's power procurement cost.

APDCL may further elaborate with data and presentations.

Deliberation in the meeting:

Member Secretary, ERPC briefly explained that since implementation of ABT in Eastern Region, the adjustment of APDCL power transfer to Bhutan through 33 MW and 11 MW systems had been discontinued with APDCL. Although the power export from APDCL to Bhutan through 33 kV and 11 kV systems were adjusted from Kurichhu power, but there was no mechanism for simultaneous adjustment with APDCL for the same export after implementation of ABT. Subsequently, a special meeting was held on 03.11.2016 under ERPC forum and in line with the decision taken in the meeting the proposed methodology for settlement of APDCL power through average frequency and at UI rates was acceptable to APDCL and NERPC. Hon'ble CERC also subsequently approved the methodology suggested by ERPC forum and bills were raised by APDCL from April, 2003 upto Nov'14 and the same were settled as per agreed mechanism. However, it was understood that APDCL now wanted to change the methodology of settlement.

APDCL representative informed that bills were not raised post Nov'14 as the cost of power recovered through the same was insufficient to meet APDCL's power purchase/supply cost. It was further informed that methodology was linked to frequency and because there is a considerable improvement in frequency in the last 2 years DSM rate is coming very less in comparison to power purchase cost for APDCL.

Member Secretary, NERPC asked APDCL whether any other mechanism could be suggested from their side.

APDCL representative responded that CERC in petition no. 15/SM/2015 had come out with an average power procurement cost for various discoms in the country. The cost of