Press Release

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It is clarified that the proposed amendments are intended to be applicable only to upcoming thermal generating projects and shall not affect the existing Independent Power Producers (IPPs) presently supplying power to the State under already executed Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs). Accordingly, the existing availability of power to the State at variable cost shall continue as per the prevailing arrangements. Therefore, the proposed policy revision will not have any impact on the present Bulk Supply Price (BSP) and the Retail Supply Tariff (RST) payable by consumers of the State.

The proposed revision has been undertaken after careful consideration of the present industrial and economic scenario with the objective of attracting fresh investments in the power sector and accelerating industrial growth in the State. The revised framework is aimed at creating an investment-friendly ecosystem that would enhance investor confidence, facilitate industrialisation and contribute to the overall economic development of the State, while duly safeguarding the larger public interest.

Establishment of new thermal power projects leads to development of ancillary industries, logistics, transportation networks, engineering services and local supply chains, thereby generating substantial economic activity across multiple sectors. Such investments also create large-scale direct and indirect employment opportunities for local people during both construction and operational phases, besides supporting MSMEs, contractors, transporters and service providers.

Further, increased industrial and commercial activity will contribute substantially to the State exchequer through collection of State GST and other statutory revenues, thereby strengthening the State's financial capacity for infrastructure development and welfare activities.

The State Government remains fully committed to protecting consumer interests while simultaneously promoting industrial growth, employment generation and long-term economic development in the larger public interest.

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