

**KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd**

(Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

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ABSTRACT

Filing claim petitions before Motor Accident Claims Tribunal - Revised procedure - Sanctioned - Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE SBU (D)

B.O.(FTD)No.317/2025 (KSEBL/DIR/DIST/1406/2024-AE4)

Dated:02-06-2025

Thiruvananthapuram.

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- Read:
1. Note dated 23.12.2024 of Director (D & SCM) addressed to LA & DEO.
 2. Note received from LA & DEO on 26.12.2024 to Director (D & SCM).
 3. Note no.KSEBL/DIR/DIST/1406/2024-AE4 dated 25.01.2025 of Director (D&SCM) addressed to the Full Time Directors(Agenda No.04/69/01/25).
 4. NoteNo.KSEBL/DIR/DIST/1406/2024-AE4 dated 06.04.2025 of Director (D & S C M) addressed to the Full Time Directors (Agenda No.05/121/04/25).
 5. Minutes of the meeting of Full Time Directors held on 29.04.2025 as per Resolution No.FTD/05/04/25/121.

ORDER

Electricity distribution infrastructure of KSEB Ltd, including transformers and poles are aligned along the sides of public roads in the state. Incidents of vehicle dashing and consequent damages to the infrastructure happen almost every day. KSEBL files claim petitions (OP(MV)) before Motor Accident Claims Tribunals (MACT) having jurisdiction, to recover damages caused by such accidents. The present practice is to route requests for filing claim petitions in proper channel through the Law Wing to the Director for passing orders sanctioning filing of the petition. Claim petitions are to be filed within six months of the incident. Filing claim petitions is a routine matter and waiting for a decision from the Director for each filing is time consuming and leads to fatal time delays.

The Director (Distribution & SCM) as per note read as 3rd above has suggested to entrust Executive Engineers of Electrical Divisions to sanction filing of claim petitions on proper requests with necessary documents from the Assistant Executive Engineers of Electrical Subdivisions concerned. The Director has also suggested to entrust the Assistant Executive

Engineers to file petitions within the statutory time limit after getting the petitions prepared by the counsel engaged for the purpose, after getting it vetted by the Law wing and Nodal Officers (Litigation) shall render all necessary assistance to the Assistant Executive Engineers in filing these petitions. The LA & DEO has also concurred with the proposal.

The matter was placed before the meeting of the Full Time Directors and the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 28.01.2025 agreed the suggestions on condition that Law wing approve each claim petition.

However, the Director (Distribution & SCM), as per note read as 4th above suggested that filing claim petition is a routine matter and approval from Law Wing for each MACT petition is time consuming and is not necessary.

The matter was again placed before the Full Time Directors as per read as 4th above.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 29.04.2025.

- a. Resolved to accord sanction to the Executive Engineers of Electrical Divisions to sanction filing of claim petitions in terms of the Motor Vehicles Act (OP (MV)), for recovering damages to installations of KSEBL from vehicle accidents, on proper requests with necessary documents from the Assistant Executive Engineers of the Electrical Sub divisions concerned.
- b. Further resolved to entrust the Assistant Executive Engineers of Electrical Sub Divisions concerned to file MACT petitions within the statutory time limit, after getting the MACT petitions prepared by the counsel engaged for the purpose with a copy to the office of the LA & DEO and Chief Engineer concerned.
- c. Further resolved to entrust the Nodal Officer (Litigation) of the respective Electrical Circle to render all necessary assistance to the Assistant Executive Engineers in the preparation and filing of MACT petitions.
- d. Further resolved that a central register of the region shall be maintained at the Chief Engineer level for tracking the MACT cases.
- e. Further resolved that for close monitoring of the MACT cases a regional review meeting at least once in a month shall be conducted by the Chief Engineer.
- f. Further resolved that a monthly report on the matter shall be forwarded by the Executive Engineer concerned to headquarters.
- g. Further resolved that the items to be compulsorily included in the affidavit shall be finalized by Legal Advisor & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer and conveyed to field offices.

- h. Further resolved that the State level register of cases shall be maintained by Legal Advisor & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

COMPANY SECRETARY

To:

1. The Chief Engineer, Distribution Regions
2. The Legal Advisor & Disciplinary Enquiry Officer
3. The Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circles
4. The Executive Engineer, Electrical Divisions
5. The Assistant Executive Engineer, Electrical Sub Divisions
6. The Nodal Officer, Litigation (under each Electrical Circle)

Copy to:

The Company Secretary / Chief Engineer(IT,CR&CAPS) for publishing in the website/
Financial Advisor / Chief Engineer (Commercial & Tariff) / LA&DEO /
Chief Internal Auditor / Chief Vigilance Officer
The Chief Personnel Officer / Public Relations Officer
The TA to the Chairman & Managing Director
The TA to the Director (HRM, Sports, Welfare, Safety & Quality Assurance)
The TA to the Director (Generation-Electrical, REES & SOURA)
The TA to the Director (Transmission & System Operation)
The TA to the Director (Distribution & SCM)
The TA to the Director (Generation-Civil)
The PA to the Director (Finance)
The Sr.CA to the Secretary (Administration)
The RCAO/ RAO
Stock File.

Forwarded / By Order

Assistant Engineer

