

Before the  
**MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
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**Case No. 46 of 2005**

**In the matter of  
Strategy to Bridge the Demand-Supply Gap in the City of Mumbai**

**Dr Pramod Deo, Chairman  
Shri A. Velayutham, Member  
Shri S.B.Kulkarni, Member**

**ORDER**

**Dated: 21<sup>st</sup> July 2006.**

The Commission issued its Order in Case No. 46 of 2005 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006 in the matter of strategy to bridge the demand-supply gap in the city of Mumbai. In the Order, apart from other stipulations, it was stipulated that,

*“TPC, REL and BEST will ensure that electricity is not supplied for neon signs, illumination of hoardings, neon signs and illuminated advertisements on bus-stops, illuminated kiosks on street lights, illuminated lighting for outdoor functions and public meetings, temporary connections for such lighting purposes, floodlighting for cricket and other sports stadiums, and flood lighting of buildings (without any exception, including heritage structures) between 1700 hrs to 2300 hrs.”*

2. The Commission had also stipulated that it would monitor the demand-supply situation on a regular basis and would modify the Order, if required. The Commission has reviewed the situation, and there is no demand-supply gap at present. The Tata Power Company (TPC) in the hearing on the Review Petition on Case No. 46 of 2005 [Case No. 66 of 2005] also submitted that there was no shortage and the shortage, if any, would be met through purchase from CGS Stations (Kawas liquid, etc.).

3. In the light of the findings, the Commission removes the restriction on supply to neon signs, illumination of hoardings, neon signs and illuminated advertisements on bus-stops, illuminated kiosks on street lights, illuminated lighting for outdoor functions and public meetings, temporary connections for such lighting purposes, floodlighting for cricket and other sports stadiums, and flood lighting of buildings between 1700 hrs to 2300 hrs, with immediate effect.



4. The tariff for the above purposes will remain as given in the Order in Case No. 4 of 2004 dated 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2006 of BEST. Appropriate economic signals will also be given in the Tariff Orders of REL and TPC, along similar lines as given in the Tariff Order for BEST for FY 2005-06 [Case No. 4 of 2004].

Sd/-  
(S.B. Kulkarni)  
Member

Sd/-  
(A. Velayutham)  
Member

Sd/-  
(Dr Pramod Deo)  
Chairman



(Malini Shankar)  
Secretary, MERC