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Press Release

Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) submitted applications to the Commission for enhancing bulk electricity tariff and Power Grid Company of Bangladesh (PGCB) Limited for enhancing transmission tariff (wheeling charge) on 15 October 2019 and 20 October 2019 respectively. Later distribution utilities/companies, BPDB on 22 October 2019, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board (BREB) & Dhaka Power Distribution Company (DPDC) Limited on 21 October 2019, Dhaka Electricity Supply Company (DESCO) Limited & West Zone Power Distribution Company (WZPDC) Limited on 23 October 2019 and Northern Electricity Supply Company (NESCO) Limited on 20 October 2019 submitted applications to the Commissions for enhancing retail electricity tariff for different customer classes.

02. After due examinations of applications of utilities/companies, the Commission conducted public hearings on 28 November 2019 and 01-03 December 2019. The Commission has refixed the bulk, transmission & retail electricity tariff in exercise of power conferred by the section 22 (b) & 34 of Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission Act, 2003 with due consideration of concerns and recommendations of all concerned parties proffered at the hearing and with thorough reviewing and analyzing of applications & submitted attached documents; considering cost of generation, transmission & distribution of electricity and subsidy to be given by the government to BPDB at the bulk supply stage and the socio-economic condition of the country and they are as follows:

- (a) Considering the generation cost of electricity for BPDB as single buyer and subsidy of BDT 3500 crore to be provided for BPDB by the government in the year 2020, Commission Order has been issued by refixing the weighted average cost for bulk electricity tariff at 5.17 Taka/KWh by increasing 8.40% from existing 4.77 Taka/KWh (notification attached) ;
- (b) Considering the transmission cost of electricity of PGCB, Commission Order has been issued by refixing the weighted average transmission tariff (wheeling charge) at 0.2934 Taka/KWh by increasing 5.30% from existing 0.2787 Taka/KWh (notification attached);
- (c) Considering the refixed bulk & transmission tariff and the distribution cost of electricity of the distribution utilities/companies, Commission Order has been issued by refixing the weighted average retail electricity tariff of different customer classes at 7.13 Taka/KWh by increasing 5.30% from existing 6.77 Tk./kWh (notification attached); and
- (d) Commission Order has been issued by refixing conditions, applicability and miscellaneous charges/fees of retail electricity tariff for the distribution utilities/companies (notification attached).

03. The Order of the Commission will be effective from **bill month March 2020** and remain valid until further order.

By Order of the Commission,
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