Government Notice No. 143 of 2022

THE ELECTRICITY ACT 2005

Regulations made by the Minister after consultation with the Utility Regulatory Authority under section 44 of the Electricity Act 2005

1. These regulations may be cited as the Electricity (Licensing, Registration and Fees) Regulations 2022.

2. In these regulations –

"Act" means the Electricity Act 2005;

"certificate of exemption" means a certificate issued by the Authority to an exempt person;

"exempted activity" means an activity specified in the first column of Part I of the Schedule;

"exempt person" means a person who conducts or intends to conduct an exempted activity;

"online platform" means the Authority e-licensing platform found on its website.

3. (1) Any person who intends to conduct an exempt activity shall make an application, in writing, to the Authority on the online platform and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(2) Where the Authority grants the application under paragraph (1), it shall – $% \left(\left(1,1\right) \right) =\left(1,1\right) \left(1,1\right) \left($

- (en) on payment of the corresponding fee specified in the second column of Part I of the Schedule; and
- (eo) on such terms and conditions as it may determine,

issue a certificate of exemption.

4. (1) For the purpose of obtaining a project finance, testing plant reliability or developing a project, a person may, in respect of the activity specified in the first column of Part III of the Schedule, make an application to the Authority on the online platform for a provisional generation licence.

(2) Where the Authority grants the licence, it shall, on payment by the licensee of the fee specified in the corresponding second column of Part III of the Schedule, issue a provisional generation licence.

(3) (a) Where the licensee under this regulation intends to amend his activities specified in the provisional generation licence, he may make an application to the Authority on the online platform for an amended provisional generation licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment, by the licensee, of the fee specified in the corresponding third column of Part III of the Schedule, issue an amended provisional generation licence.

(4) Where the licensee under this regulation intends to renew his provisional generation licence, he may make an application to the Authority on the online platform for the renewal of the provisional generation licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(5) The Authority may, on payment, by the licensee, of the fee specified in the corresponding fourth column of Part III of the Schedule, renew the provisional generation licence.

5. (1) (a) Every holder of a provisional generation licence specified in the first column of Part III of the Schedule shall, at least 90 days before starting the commercial operation of a generating station, make an application to the Authority on the online platform for a permanent licence in respect of the activity specified in the first

column of Part II of the Schedule and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment, by the applicant, of the fee specified in the corresponding second column of Part II of the Schedule, issue a permanent generation licence.

(2) (a) Where a person has been issued with a transitional licence, he shall make an application to the Authority through the online platform, in respect of the activity specified in the first column of Part II of the Schedule, for a permanent licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment by the applicant of the fee specified in the second column of Part II of the Schedule, issue a permanent licence.

(3) (a) Where the licensee under this regulation intends to transfer his licence in the name of another person, he may make an application to the Authority for a transfer of the licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment, by the licensee, of the fee specified in the corresponding third column of Part II of the Schedule, transfer the licence.

(4) (a) Where the licensee under this regulation intends to amend his activities specified in the licence, he may make an application to the Authority for an amended licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment, by the licensee, of the fee specified in the corresponding fourth column of Part II of the Schedule, issue an amended licence. (5) (a) Where the licensee under this regulation intends to renew his licence, he may make an application to the Authority for the renewal of the licence and provide such information as the Authority may require.

(b) The Authority may, on payment, by the licensee, of the fee specified in the corresponding fifth column of Part II of the Schedule, renew the licence.

6. Every holder of a licence shall, in respect of the activity specified in the first column of Part IV of the Schedule, pay the corresponding annual fee specified in the second column.

7. These regulations shall come into operation on 10 June 2022.

Made by the Minister, after consultation with the Utility Regulatory Authority, on 10 June 2022.

SCHEDULE

[Regulations 3, 4, 5 and 6]

PART I – REGISTRATION FEE

Description	(Rs)	
A person having a generating station –		
 (a) to generate electricity for his own consumption or for the supply of electricity for his employees or tenants staying on the premises belonging to him; and 		
(b) which is not connected to a licensee's network where the generator installed capacity is –		
(i) not exceeding 50 kW	Nil	
(ii) exceeding 50 kW but not exceeding 200 kW	10,000	for the first 50 kW
	5,000	for every 50 kW or part thereof
(iii) exceeding 200 kW but	20,000	for the first 50 kW
not exceeding 400 kW	} 10,000	for every 50 kW or part thereof

PART II – FIRST APPLICATION, TRANSFER, AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL FEES FOR A PERMANENT LICENCE

Description	First application fee (Rs)	Transfer fee (Rs)	Amendment fee (Rs)	Renewal fee (Rs)
Generation not exceeding 5 kW	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generation exceeding 5 kW but not exceeding 50 kW	500	500	500	300

Generation exceeding 50 kW but not exceeding 200 kW	1,000	1,000	1,000	600
Generation exceeding 200 kW but not exceeding 400 kW	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,200
Generation exceeding 400 kW	30,000	30,000	30,000	20,000
Transmission, distribution, single buyer and system operation	30,000	30,000	30,000	20,000

PART III – FIRST APPLICATION, AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL FEES FOR A PROVISIONAL GENERATION LICENCE

Description	First application fee (Rs)	Amendment fee (Rs)	Renewal fee (Rs)
Generation not exceeding 5 kW	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generation exceeding 5 kW but not exceeding 50	250	250	150
Generation exceeding 50 kW but not exceeding 200 kW	500	500	300
Generation exceeding 200 kW but not exceeding 400 kW	1,000	1,000	600
Generation exceeding 400 kW	15,000	15,000	10,000

PART IV - ANNUAL FEE

Type of licence	(Rs)	
Permanent generation not exceeding 5 kW	Nil	
Provisional generation exceeding 5 kW	10,350	per MW installed
Permanent generation exceeding 5 kW	20,700	per MW installed
Transmission	6,700	per MW of annual peak demand
System operation	700	per MW of annual peak demand

Single buyer

Distribution

700 per MW of annual peak demand5,600 per GWh of annual electricity sold