UPERC determines Load Despatch Centre (LDC) charges for FY 2025-26 on the Petition filed by UPSLDC

- LDC charges determined at Rs. 678.09/MW/Month as against demand of Rs. 776.09/MW/Month
- Gives directions for technical upgradation and checking vulnerability against cyber attacks
 - Provides incentives for skill upgradation & certification of employed personnels
- Uttar Pradesh State Load Despatch Centre i.e. UPSLDC had filed Petition No. 2231 of 2025 for True Up of FY 2023-24, Annual Performance Review (APR) for FY 2024-25 & Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) & SLDC Charges for FY 2025-26. The same was admitted by the Commission on July 24, 2025.
 Subsequently, the Commission after due process of Public consultation and after conducting Public hearing on August 20, 2025 has determined Load Despatch Centre (LDC) charges through Tariff Order for FY 2025-26, which is being issued on September 08, 2025.
- 2. Key highlights of Tariff Order are as follow:
 - (i) The Commission has approved the monthly LDC Charges of Rs. 678.09 / MW/ Month for FY 2025-26. The Commission has considered 58694 MW of contracted / tied up capacity of users who are availing long/medium term Open access. The details are shown in the Table below:

APPROVED LDC CHARGES FOR FY 2025-26

Particulars	Units	FY 2025-26	
		Claimed by Petitioner	Approved by Commission
Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2025-26 (A)	Rs. Lakh	2,617.52	2,611.84
Adjustment Gap of FY 2023-24 & FY 2024-25 (B)	Rs. Lakh	2,848.66	2,164.15
Net ARR to be recovered for LDC Charges 2025-26 (C=A+B)	Rs. Lakh	5,466.18	4,775.99
Contracted Capacity of Distribution licensees and Indian Railways and LTOA beneficiaries (X)	MW	35,897	35,897
Generators including thermal CPP/Solar/cogen (Y)	MW	22,797	22,797
Total Contracted Capacity (Z= X+Y)	MW	58,694	58,694
Monthly LDC Charges [C*10^5/(Z*12)]	Rs/MW/Month	776.09	678.09

*The Commission has considered the Gap of FY 2024-25 while determining the ARR of FY 2025-26.

- (ii) The increase in LDC charges from Rs. 536.81/MW/Month, as approved in the Tariff Order dated 10.10.2024, to Rs. 678.09/MW/Month for FY 2025-26 is primarily on account of higher Net ARR, adjustment of gaps for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25.
- (iii) The Commission has directed UPSLDC to expedite SCADA/EMS upgradation, establish a Cyber Security Operation Centre (C-SOC), and to establish a structured framework for cybersecurity monitoring, regular vulnerability assessment, and incident response drills.
- (iv) UPSLDC shall ensure the availability of adequately trained and certified manpower as per CEA/Forum of Regulators norms. A skill-upgradation roadmap for JE-level & above staff must be submitted, and at least two specialised training workshops are to be conducted every year.
- (v) Further, UPSLDC is directed to create and maintain adequate state-level reserves for ancillary services. A detailed Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) roadmap for demand-side management regulation shall be submitted, with support from UPPCL and UPPTCL.
- (vi) UPSLDC is directed to conduct meetings of the State Power Committee regularly.

The Tariff Order has been uploaded at www.uperc.org.

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