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ವಿಷಯ : ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿಯ ಪರಿಷ್ಕೃತ ಸಾಂಸ್ಥಿಕ ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಹೊಣೆಗಾರಿಕೆಯ ನೀತಿಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ.

ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: ದಿನಾಂಕ 04/08/2022 ರಂದು ಜರುಗಿದ ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರುಗಳ 132ನೇ ಮಂಡಳಿ ಸಭೆಯ ನಡವಳಿಗಳು (ವಿಷಯ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ :135/25).

ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿಯು ತನ್ನ ಕಾರ್ಪೊರೇಟ್ ಸಾಂಸ್ಥಿಕ ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಹೊಣೆಗಾರಿಕೆಯ ನೀತಿಯನ್ನು 2014 ರಲ್ಲಿ ರಚಿಸಿರುತ್ತದೆ, ತದನಂತರ ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕಾರ್ಪೊರೇಟ್ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳ ಸಚಿವಾಲಯವು ಸಿ.ಎಸ್.ಆರ್. ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಕಂಪನಿಗಳ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 2013ರಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಅದರಡಿ ರೂಪಿಸಲಾದ ನಿಯಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹಲವಾರು ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ಹಿನ್ನೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಸ್ತಿತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿಯ ಸಿ.ಎಸ್.ಆರ್ ನೀತಿಯನ್ನು ಪರಿಷ್ಕರಿಸುವ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

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ಪ್ರತಿಯನ್ನು ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ:

1. ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸಲಹೆಗಾರರು, ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿ.
2. ಕಂಪನಿ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ, ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿ, ನಿಗಮ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಕಾವೇರಿ ಭವನ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು
3. ಹಿರಿಯ ಆಪ್ತ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು, ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು/ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು(ಹಣಕಾಸು)/ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು(ಪ್ರಸಾರಣ)/ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು(ಆಡಳಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ) ರವರ. ಕವಿಪ್ರನಿನಿ.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY

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1.0 BACKGROUND:

1.1 Corporate Social Responsibility is a company's sense of responsibility towards the community and environment in which it operates. It is the continuing commitment by business to behave ethically and contribute to economic development of the society at large and building capacity for sustainable livelihoods. The Corporation believes in conducting its business responsibly, fairly and in a most transparent manner. It continually seeks ways to bring about an overall positive impact on the society and environment where it operates and as a part of its social objectives.

1.2 Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited as a State Transmission Utility (STU) is vested with the functions of Transmission of power in the entire State of Karnataka through its Stations & Transmission Lines. KPTCL in its endeavor to serve general public has set its mission to ensure reliable quality power at competitive prices through:

- (a) Encouraging best practices in transmission;
- (b) Ensuring high order maintenance of all its technical facilities; and
- (c) Emphasizing the best standards in customer service.

1.3 **OBJECTIVE:** This Policy lays down guidelines to make CSR a key business process. The Policy aims at enhancing welfare measures of the society based on social and environmental consequences of the Corporation's activities in India. This Policy specifies the projects and programmes that can be undertaken in terms of the Schedule VII to the Companies Act, 2013. Policy brings out the plans and projects proposed to be undertaken during the implementation years, specifies the modalities of execution in the areas/ sectors chosen and the implementation schedule. The scope of the Policy has been kept as wide as possible, so as to allow the Corporation to respond to different situations and challenges appropriately and flexibly, subject to the activities enumerated in Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013. However, no contribution will be made for any activities undertaken outside India.

1.4 TERMS OF REFERENCE TO CSR COMMITTEE:

1.41 Board of Directors of KPTCL have constituted a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Committee of Directors with the following Terms of Reference:

- a) To formulate and recommend a CSR policy to the Board;
- b) To recommend amount of expenditure to be incurred on CSR activities;
- c) To monitor the CSR policy of the company from time to time; and
- d) To institute a transparent Monitoring Mechanism for implementation of the CSR projects/programmes or activities undertaken by the Company.

1.42 CSR Committee will play the following role in fulfilling the Corporation's CSR objectives:

- Formulation and review of CSR Policy indicating the activities to be undertaken by the Corporation towards CSR initiatives;
- Recommendation of the amount of expenditure to be incurred on the CSR activities; and
- Formulation of a transparent monitoring mechanism for ensuring implementation of the projects/ programmes/ activities proposed to be undertaken by the Corporation or the end use of the amount spent by it towards CSR activities.
- Monitor and implement this Policy from time to time
- Annually report to the Board, the status of the CSR activities and contributions made by the Corporation
- Any other requirements mandated under the Act and Rules issued thereto.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Act" means the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and its subsequent amendments such as Companies (amendment) Act 2020;
- 2.2 "Public Authority" means 'Public Authority' as defined in clause (h) of section 2 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005); This clause should be read in the context of Clause no. 7.4(c) of the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021 is with reference to the Transfer of assets.
- 2.3 "Section" means a section of the Act
- 2.4 "Rules" means the Companies (CSR Policy) Rules issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) as amended from time to time. Any subsequent revisions to the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021 will be construed to be accepted by KPTCL.
- 2.5 "Net profit" means the net profit of a company as per its financial statement prepared in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act, but shall not include the following, namely:
- (i) any profit arising from any overseas branch or branches of KPTCL, whether operated as a separate company or otherwise; and
 - (ii) any dividend received from other companies in India, which are covered under and complying with the provisions of section 135 of the Act:

As per Section 135 of the Act, CSR Amount shall be computed in accordance with the provisions of Section 198 of the Act.

In making the CSR Amount computation, credit shall not be given to profits from the sale of any immovable property or fixed assets of a capital nature comprised in the undertaking or any of the undertakings of the Company.

As per Rule 6 of the Companies (CSR Policy Rules), 2014, the surplus arising out of the CSR projects of policies shall not form part of the business profit of the Company

- 2.6 The words Administrative overheads, Corporate Social Responsibility, CSR Committee, CSR Policy, Ongoing Project and International Organisation shall have the meaning as defined under Companies Act, 2013 as amended from time to time.

3.0 PURPOSE :

This CSR policy is a policy statement containing the intent, approach and direction given by the Board of KPTCL, taking into account the recommendations of its CSR Committee, and includes guiding principles for selection, implementation and monitoring of activities as well as formulation of the annual action plan, mode of implementation of CSR projects, monitoring mechanisms to monitor implementation of CSR projects of KPTCL and assess the impact of CSR projects on Sustainable Development Goals;

4.0 SCOPE & INTERPRETATION

- 4.1 KPTCL has developed this Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Policy in consonance with the CSR Policy framework enshrined in **Section-135 of Companies Act, 2013 (Act)** and in accordance with the **Companies (CSR Policy) Rules, 2014 (Rules)** notified by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India and subsequent amendments in the (Rules) and the **Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021** notified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India in January 2021

- 4.2 It shall apply to all CSR Projects / Programmes undertaken by KPTCL as listed in the CSR policy of KPTCL and approved by Board of KPTCL on the recommendation of CSR Committee of the Board of KPTCL, within the geographical limits of India alone, except for training of Indian sports personnel representing any State or Union territory at national level or India at international level and preferably towards the benefit of marginalized, disadvantaged, poor and deprived sections of the community and the environment and achievement of Sustainable Development Goals.
- 4.3 Any point not covered by this Policy would be interpreted in accordance with the existing Companies (CSR Policy) Amendment Rules of 2021 and latest DPE Guidelines, with regard of CSR implementation by CPSEs, with the former taking precedence over the later in case of any conflict.

5.0 GOVERNANCE

- 5.1 Board of KPTCL, taking into account the recommendations of its CSR Committee, will devise guiding principles for selection, implementation and monitoring of activities as well as formulation of the annual action plan of CSR activities in KPTCL, mode of implementation of CSR projects, monitoring mechanisms to monitor implementation of CSR projects of KPTCL .
- 5.2 Board of KPTCL shall also approve multi-year project undertaken by KPTCL in fulfilment of its CSR obligations having timelines not exceeding three years excluding the financial year in which it was commenced, and shall include such project that was initially not approved as a multi-year project but whose duration has been extended beyond one year based on reasonable justification;
- 5.3 In case of ongoing project, the CSR Monitoring Committee of a Company shall monitor the implementation of the project with reference to the approved timelines and year-wise allocation and shall be competent to make modifications, if any, for smooth implementation of the project within the overall permissible time period.
- 5.4 Board of KPTCL may alter Annual action plan of CSR activities at any time during the financial year, as per the recommendation of its CSR Committee of the board, based on the reasonable justification to that effect.
- 5.5 Board /CSR Monitoring Committee shall ensure that Administrative Overheads shall not exceed 5% of the total CSR Expenditure of the company for the financial year;
- 5.6 The Board of KPTCL shall satisfy itself that the funds disbursed for implementing CSR projects have been utilized for the purposes and in the manner as approved by it and the Director (Finance)/CFO shall certify to that effect.
- 5.7 The Board of KPTCL shall monitor the progress of approved CSR projects and programmes with respect to timelines through the CSR Committee /CSR Monitoring Committee of KPTCL.
- 5.8 The CSR Committee of the Board shall formulate and recommend to the Board, an annual action plan in pursuance of its CSR policy, which shall include the following, namely:-
- (a) the list of CSR projects or programmes that are approved to be undertaken in areas or subjects specified in the Schedule VII of the Act;
 - (b) the manner of execution of such projects or programmes as specified in sub-rule (1) of rule 4 of the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021 issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India, will be followed by KPTCL in this regard;
 - (c) the modalities of utilisation of funds and implementation schedules for the projects or programmes;
 - (d) monitoring and reporting mechanism for the projects or programmes; and
 - (e) details of need and impact assessment, if any, for the projects undertaken by the KPTCL: Provided that Board of KPTCL may alter such plan at any time during the financial year, as per the recommendation of its CSR Committee of the board, based on the reasonable justification to that effect."

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6.0 CSR ACTIVITIES

Schedule VII of Companies Act, 2013 provides the list of activities as amended from time to time which may be included by Companies as their Corporate Social Responsibility Policy Activities.

7.0 CSR PLANNING

7.1 To assist in planning of the activities, the indicative budget allocation for broad sector of Activities will be delineated in the Annual Action Plan which shall be formulated and recommended by the CSR Committee and submitted to the Board for approval and shall include the following:

- a) the list of CSR projects or programmes that are approved to be undertaken in areas or subjects specified in Schedule VII of the Act;
- b) the manner of execution of such projects or programmes as specified in sub-rule (1) of rule 4 of the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021;
- c) the modalities of utilisation of funds and implementation schedules for the projects or programmes;
- d) monitoring and reporting mechanism for the projects or programmes; and
- e) details of need and impact assessment, if any, for the projects undertaken by the company;

7.2 However, the Board may alter such plan any time during the financial year as per the recommendation of the CSR Committee based on reasonable justification to that effect.

7.3 Broadly, the CSR Annual Action Plan for CSR Activities will be in line with the CSR Strategy of KPTCL with focus on Healthy Environment; Education, Healthcare and Nutrition, etc.,

8.0 CSR IMPLEMENTATION

- 8.1 Implementation of the CSR projects or programmes shall be through the agencies fulfilling the criteria laid down under the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021 (and as amended from time to time).
- 8.2 KPTCL will endeavour at all times to build and develop the skills of its CSR team and enhance level of CSR awareness within the organization and may also engage International Organizations for capacity building of its own CSR personnel.

9.0 CSR BUDGET AND CSR EXPENDITURE

- 9.1 The Board of KPTCL will ensure that in each Financial Year (FY), at least two percent of the average net profit (calculated as per Section 198 of the Companies Act 2013) accrued during the three immediately preceding Financial Years is spent on CSR activities / projects / programmes. The Board of KPTCL will satisfy itself that the funds disbursed have been utilised for the purposes and in the manner as approved by it and the Director (Finance) shall certify to that effect.
- 9.2 In the event, that amount indicated in para 9.1 above is not spent in its entirety in that Financial Year, the reasons thereof will be outlined as per section 134 (3) (o) of the Act to be shared through the Annual Report and the unspent amount shall be treated in terms of provisions of Companies Act, 2013.
- 9.3 In an event where KPTCL makes any surplus or profit from pursuing the CSR projects / programmes, these will not form part of the business profit but will, instead be ploughed back into the same project or shall be transferred to the unspent CSR Account and spent in pursuance of CSR Policy and Annual Action Plan of the Company or transferred to a fund specified in Schedule VII, within a period of six months of the expiry of the financial year.

- 9.4 In an event where CSR expenditure is in excess of requirement as per section 135 of Companies Act, 2013, such excess amount may be set-off against the requirement to spend as per Section 135 of Act, up to immediate succeeding three financial years subject to the condition that
- this excess amount shall not include any surplus arising out of CSR projects; and
 - Board of KPTCL shall pass a resolution to this effect
- 9.5 Any capital asset created/acquired out of CSR funds shall be held by a company established under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, or a registered Public Trust or Registered Society having charitable objects and CSR Registration Number, or beneficiaries of the said project, in the form of self- help groups, collectives, entities or a Public Authority as defined in in clause (h) of section 2 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005);
- 9.6 A transfer of Capital Asset and Sustainability of CSR assets policy will be designed by KPTCL on the lines of Build& Transfer (BT) mechanism of Public Private Partnership policy guidelines of NITI Ayog and Govt. of India
- 9.7 Expenditure towards Impact Assessment will be booked towards Corporate Social Responsibility for that financial year, which shall not exceed five percent of the total CSR expenditure for that financial year or fifty lakh rupees, whichever is less.
- 9.8 For all contributions received from other companies / sources towards the CSR Corpus / Budget, KPTCL will claim CSR expenditure only for funds that are provided from its own resources.

10 MONITORING & EVALUATION

- 10.1 In case of ongoing project, the Monitoring Committee of a Company will monitor the implementation of the project with reference to the approved timelines and year-wise allocation and shall be competent to make modifications, if any, for smooth implementation of the project within the overall permissible time period. The Monitoring committee comprises the following members:

Sl.No.	Member	Designation
1.	Director (Finance)	Chairman
2.	FA (A & R)	Member
3.	SE Civil – Capital works in planning department	Member
4.	Company Secretary	Member convener

11.0 IMPACT ASSESSMENT/EVALUATION OF CSR

- 11.1 In order to assess the impact of its CSR Projects and Programmes, maximize outcomes and build-in sustainability, scalability and replicability, KPTCL shall undertake the following activities:

- Wherever possible, Base line data shall be collected before start of the project.
- As far as possible efforts will be made to use Quasi Experimental Research design for assessing the impact of CSR projects.
- Impact Assessment, through an independent agency, of the CSR projects having outlay of Rs. **One Crore** or more and which have completed not less than one year before undertaking the impact study
- Placing before the Board, the Impact Assessment reports and annexing the same to the annual report on CSR

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12.0 REPORTING:

12.1 KPTCL will make a full report of its CSR projects / programmes undertaken during the previous year in the format prescribed for the "Annual Report on CSR Activities to be included in the Board's Report" in the Companies (CSR Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021 which is in consonance with section 134(3)(o) of the Act.

13.0 DOCUMENTATION:

13.1 KPTCL will endeavor at all times to put in place, for all projects / programmes, an effective documentation process. The comprehensive documentation would include – printed material, audio recordings, video recordings etc.

13.2 Also, Project completion report documenting the key project parameters, implementation process, deliverables envisaged and the outcome achieved along with end line data and the suggestions/ recommendations for scalability and replicability of the project may be developed wherever feasible.

13.3 Documentation of all data generated during project execution shall be maintained by the CSR department.

14. DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

14.1 The CSR Committee shall report to the Board of the Corporation, at least on an annual basis, the status of the CSR projects/ activities undertaken by the Corporation along with the report on the impact created by such projects/ activities.

14.2 The Corporation shall also upload this Policy on its website www.kptcl.com/ePrasarana. Further, a detailed status report on the CSR activities carried out by the Corporation would be disclosed every year as part of the Directors' Report in the Annual Report. The said information would also be uploaded on the website of the Corporation.

14.3 The CSR Committee will also make a Responsibility Statement in the Annual Report stating that the CSR Policy implementation and monitoring thereof is, in letter and spirit, in compliance with its CSR objectives.

15. ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING

KPTCL will follow the Accounting and Auditing Guidance Note / Standards duly approved by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India, if any.

