

:: TAMIL NADU GREEN ENERGY CORPORATION LIMITED ::
(ABSTRACT)

TNGECL- Hydro Areas – Extension of Cavern Allowance to the employees working in Remote Hydro Stations inside the Caverns and Tunnels at Kundah Pumped Storage Hydro Electric Project/ Emerald – Orders – Issued.

(TECHNICAL BRANCH)

(Per.) MD/TNGECL Proceedings No.05

Dated: 24.02.2026

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2057.

READ:

- Read: 1. (Per) B.P. (F.B) No.23 (SB) dt.20.03.2002.
2. (Per) B.P. No.26, dated 06.08.2015.
3. (Per.) FB TANGEDCO Proceedings No.9 & 10, Dated :02.03.2018.
4. CE/Projects/Civil/Emerald's Lr.No.454/ CE/ P/ C/ Kundah/ Adm1/ A.1/
F.Allowance/ 2026,Dt.09.01.2026.
5. CE/Hydro's Note approved by the Chairman/TNGECL dt.18.02.2026.

PROCEEDINGS:

- 1) In the Board's Proceedings (1) to (3) cited, orders have been issued for payment of Cavern Allowance to the employees working in Remote Hydrel Stations.
- 2) The Chief Engineer/ Projects/Civil of Emerald has submitted proposal to extend the Cavern Allowance to the employees working at Remote Hydro Stations inside the caverns and tunnels of Kundah Pumped Storage Hydro Electric Project/ Emerald as they are performing shift duties and maintenance work inside tunnels approximately eight hours a day and the working conditions in these tunnels, with low oxygen levels, pose significant health risks similar to those faced by workers at the Kadamparai and Kundah (PUSHEP) tunnel Power Houses.
- 3) The Cavern Allowance was sanctioned to the employees working in Kadamparai Power House and PUSHEP at the rate of 10% of Basic Pay (Subject to Maximum of Rs.8,000/- p.m) since it is located in Cavern.
- 4) On scrutinizing the above proposal, the subject matter has been submitted to the CHAIRMAN/ TNGECL for approval similar to the employees working in Kadamparai Power House and Pykara Ultimate Stage Hydro Electric Project (PUSHEP) in Kadamparai & Kundah Generation Circles respectively.

5) Based on the above, approval is hereby accorded

For providing Cavern Allowance to Hydro Project field engineers and staff working inside tunnels at the Kundah Pumped Storage Hydro Electric Project (KPSHEP)/ Emerald, as similar benefits are already extended to officials and staff working in established Tunnel Power Houses at the existing rate of 10% of basic pay, subject to a ceiling of ₹8,000 per month irrespective of their cadre from 01.03.2026. The list of Officers/ Staff eligible for Cavern Allowance are enclosed in Annexure-I.

6) The expenditure sanctioned in para-5 above shall be debited to TNGECL Funds- Revenue Expenses 75.409 – Salaries – Other Allowances- Cavern Allowance.

(BY ORDER OF THE CHAIRMAN/ TNGECL)


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Encl:Annexure:1

To

The Chief Engineer/ Projects/Civil/ Kundah Pumped Storage Hydro Electric Project (KPSHEP)/ Emerald.

The Chief Engineer/Hydro, Chennai-2.

The Superintending Engineer/ Projects/Civil /Kundah Pumped Storage Hydro Electric Project (KPSHEP)/ Emerald

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The Chairman/TNGECL/Table's

The Joint Managing Director/Finance/TNPDCL & TANTRANSCO/Chennai-2.

The Additional Director General of Police/Vigilance/Chennai-2.

The Director (Technical)/TNGECL/Chennai-2.

The Director (Finance)/TNGECL/Chennai-2.

The Legal Adviser, TNEB Ltd., Chennai-2.

The Chief Engineer/Personnel/TNPDCL/Chennai-2.

The Secretary/TNPDCL/Chennai-2.

The Superintending Engineer/Electrical /Hydro, Chennai-2.

The Senior Personnel Officer/TNGECL/Chennai-2.

The Executive Assistant to CMD/CMD's Office/Chennai-2

The Chief Financial Controller/TNGECL/Chennai-2.

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ANNEXURE-1

List of Officers/Staff Eligible for Cavern Allowance @ Kundah Pumped

Storage Hydro Electric Project/Emerald

Sl. No.	Name of the Category	Sanctioned	Utilized	Vacant
	Provincial:			
1.	Executive Engineer (Civil)	2	2	0
2.	Executive Engineer (Mechanical)	1	1	0
3.	Assistant Executive Engineer (Civil)	4	2	2
4.	Assistant Executive Engineer/Electrical	1	1	0
5.	Assistant Executive Engineer/ Mechanical	1	1	0
6.	Assistant Engineer/Junior Engineer-I Gr (Civil)	4	3	1
7.	Assistant Engineer/ Junior Engineer -I Gr (Electrical)	2	2	0
8.	Assistant Engineer/ Junior Engineer -I Gr (Mechanical)	2	1	1
	RWE:			
9.	Heavy Vehicle Driver	1	1	0
10.	Senior Gr. Driver	1	1	0
11.	Electrician II Grade	1	1	0
12.	Maistry III Grade	4	3	1
15.	Field Assistant	6	1	5
	Grand Total	30	20	10

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