



Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission

PRESS NOTE

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MYT Order UPCL for FY 2025-26 to FY 2027-28- Highlights

1. UPCL filed the Petitions for approval of Business Plan and ARR for Fifth Control Period from FY 2025-26 to FY 2027-28 & Tariff for FY 2025-26 (MYT Petition) along with True up for FY 2023-24 on December 26, 2024.
2. UPCL had projected a total ARR of Rs. 12512.38 Crore for FY 2025-26, considering distribution loss of 13.50%, thus, projecting a total revenue gap of Rs. 1341.96 Crore including truing up for FY 2023-24 with carrying cost. For recovery of this revenue gap, UPCL had requested for a tariff hike of about 12.01%. Considering the hike claimed by PTCUL/SLDC & UJVN Ltd. The total hike claimed is 29.23%. [UPCL 12.01%, PTCUL 12.07%, UJVNL 5.15%].
3. The Commission vide its Order dated 24.03.2025 has approved the Capital Cost and Tariff of Vyasi HEP. The total arrears to be recovered by UJVNL from UPCL works out to be Rs. 278.64 Crore (additional increase of 2.54%).
4. The Commission in compliance with APTEL judgement in the matter of UJVNL to allow RoE on equity invested from PDF has allowed the RoE for the past period to be recovered in next three years. The impact of same on FY 2025-26 works out to Rs. 248.73 Crore (additional increase of 2.26%). Consequently, the Commission has also allowed the RoE on equity invested from PDF in PTCUL past period to be recovered in next three years. The impact of same on FY 2025-26 works out to Rs. 78.56 Crore (additional increase of 0.72%).
5. **The Commission in this Order has, accordingly, scrutinised and approved the following:**
 - a. Truing-Up for FY 2023-24 based on audited accounts
 - b. Business Plan for the fifth Control Period from FY 2025-26 to FY 2027-28
 - c. Tariff Determination for FY 2025-26
6. Based on the scrutiny of data submitted by UPCL, the Commission has determined the ARR for the FY 2025-26 as Rs. 11576.05 Crore. The above ARR takes into account

the impact of final truing-up for FY 2023-24. The Commission further estimated the revenues at existing tariffs on projected sale of 15122 MU for FY 2025-26 as Rs. 10985.39 Crore, which left a revenue gap of Rs. 590.66 Crore.

7. Based on above approved ARR of Rs. 11576.05 Crore and projected sales of 15122 MU for FY 2025-26, the average cost of supply of the Petitioner works out to Rs. 7.66/kWh as compared to approved Average Cost of Supply of Rs 7.27/kWh for FY 2024-25.
8. The Commission has approved the distribution loss trajectory of 12.75%, 12.25% and 11.75% for FY 2025-26, FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 respectively. Considering the approved sales and distribution loss trajectory, the total energy requirement for FY 2025-26 works out to 18004 MU.
9. The break-up of approved Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for FY 2025-26 are as below:-

Table 1 : ARR approved for FY 2025-26 (Rs. Crore)

S. No.	Particulars	Claimed by UPCL	Approved
1.	Power Purchase Cost including RPO Water Tax	7727.70	7539.52
2.	UJVN Ltd. Arrears/(Surplus)		613.46
3.	Transmission Charges		
	PGCIL	782.97	720.61
	PTCUL & SLDC	392.02	562.87
4.	Interest on Loan	321.22	175.12
5.	Depreciation	240.75	180.19
6.	O&M expenses	1089.09	898.73
7.	Smart Meter OPEX expenses	240.57	167.24
8.	Interest on Working Capital	151.14	124.85
9.	Return on Equity	297.38	227.62
10.	Provision of Bad & Doubtful Debt	111.70	109.85
11.	Aggregate Revenue Requirement	11354.54	11320.06
12.	Less: Non-Tariff Income	302.74	382.20
13.	True up impact GAP/(SURPLUS)	1460.58	638.19
14.	Net Revenue Requirement	12512.38	11576.05

Impact Analysis	Amt (Rs. Crore)	Impact (%)
PDF (UJVNL)	248.73	2.26%
PDF (PTCUL)	78.56	0.72%
Vyasi (Arrears)	278.64	2.54%

- **Salient Points of Retail Tariff for the FY 2025-26**

- a) The Commission has restricted the effective tariff hike to 5.62% as against the proposal of UPCL of about 12.01% and overall tariff hike proposed by all the utilities of about 29.23%. With the increase in tariff UPCL will be able to recover the entire approved ARR with a surplus of Rs. 27.09 Crore for FY 2025-26. The Commission has kept this surplus to meet the differential cost of power purchase under exigencies.
- b) While revising the tariffs for different category of consumers, the Commission has attempted to reduce the cross-subsidies for all the categories.
- c) The Commission has not changed the existing demand charges across all the consumer categories (except for RTS-4A: Agricultural Allied Activities).
- d) Marginal increase of 10 paise/kWh in tariff for BPL consumers. (Around 4.64 Lakh consumers i.e. 17% of domestic consumers).
- e) Marginal increase of 10 paise in Energy Charge for Snowbound Domestic metered consumers, increase of 10 paise for Snowbound Non-Domestic consumers consuming upto 1 kW, increase of 15 paise for Snowbound Non-Domestic consumers consuming more than 1 kW upto 4 kW and increase of 20 paise for Snowbound Non-Domestic consumers consuming more than 4 kW.
- f) Marginal increase of 25 paise in Energy Charges for Domestic consumers consuming upto 100 Units/Month, increase of 35 paise for Domestic consumers consuming from 101 to 200 Units/Month, increase of 45 paise for Domestic consumers consuming from 201 to 400 Units/Month and above 400 Units/Month and increase of Rs. 50 paise per kVAh for single point bulk supply consumers.
- g) The increase in the tariff for Domestic category was necessitated to keep the Cross Subsidy within +/- 20% as specified in National Tariff Policy.

The cross subsidy of domestic category is 19.63% which is within the range of +/- 20% as specified in National Tariff Policy. To keep the tariff for lowest slab of domestic category at 80% of Average Cost of Supply, the tariff would require to be increased to Rs. 6.13/kWh as against now approved tariff of Rs 3.65/kWh for 100 units consumption. In order to achieve overall cross subsidy for Domestic Category at 19.63%, tariff for higher slabs has been kept higher.

- h) The Commission in order to gradually reduce the cross subsidy as mandated by the provisions of the Act and National Tariff Policy has increased the energy charge for PTW category from Rs 2.55/kWh to Rs 2.70/kWh.

The tariff for all the categories has to ideally be within the band of +/- 20% of Average Cost of Supply as specified under National Tariff Policy. To keep the tariff for PTW category at 80% of Average Cost of Supply, tariff is to be kept at Rs 6.13/kWh. Such increase would result in tariff shock, hence tariff for PTW kept at 62.60% below Average Cost of Supply as against 63.70% less than Average Cost of Supply in previous Order.

- i) The Commission has directed the Petitioner to submit monthly division-wise target for distribution losses, budget for O&M Expenses and Capital Expenditure for FY 2025-26 in order to regularly monitor the performance of UPCL to increase the Operational Efficiency of the Licensee including reduction of losses.
- j) The Commission has restricted the power purchase through short term sources at 5% of the total power purchase requirement.
- k) The Commission has kept the solar water heater rebate to Rs. 75 for each 50 litre of capacity.
- l) The Commission has retained the prompt payment rebate to 1.5% for payment of electricity bills through digital mode and 1% for payment of electricity bills through any other mode. Further, no rebate shall be applicable on part payment made against the bill.
- m) The Commission has retained the Peak Hour Surcharge equivalent to 130% of normal tariff and off peak hour rebate to 25% of Normal hour tariff.
- n) Demand Charges for LT Industry with a sanctioned load \leq 75 kW shall be charged with the approved rate of HT Industry on the entire recorded demand, if the recorded demand exceeds 100 kVA in any billing month.
- o) In order to remove the ambiguities about tariff to be charged for temporary supply for construction purposes, the Commission has approved the rate of temporary power supply for construction purposes as Rs. 9.50/kWh for all type of construction except Domestic/Residential construction, for which RTS-1 plus 25% rate shall be applicable.
- p) The Commission has sub-categorised RTS-4A: Agricultural Allied Activities into:
(i) Upto 25 kW, and (ii) More than 25 kW and upto 75 kW and (iii) Above 75 kW. Further, the Commission has approved the inclusion of "incidental agricultural processes confined to chaff cutter, thrasher, cane crusher and rice huller" under the Tariff Schedule of RTS-4A.

- q) The Commission has approved a rebate of 4% of Energy Charges for Domestic Category and 3% of Energy Charges for consumers availing Pre-paid metering Scheme and the rebate shall only be applicable after installation and operationalization of Prepaid meters.

No Security deposit shall be applicable, in case the electricity is supplied through pre-paid meters. The Commission has exempted security deposit, including Material Security Deposit amounting to Rs. 5000/- for single phase connection and Rs. 10,000/- for three phase connections. For existing pre-paid consumers the security amount already deposited shall be adjusted in the pre-paid recharge.

- r) The Commission has kept the tariff of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations at Rs 7.65/kWh below the Average Cost of Supply of Rs. 7.66/kWh.
- s) For facilitating the consumers to avail the entire power generated through renewable energy sources, the Commission has approved the Green Tariff of Rs. 0.36/kWh which shall be payable over and above the normative approved tariff.
- t) General increase in tariff of category of consumers resulting in the following increase in Average Billing Rate:

Table 2: Increase in Average Billing Rate during FY 2025-26

Category	ABR (Rs./kWh) as per tariff approved in T.O dated 28.03.2024	Now Revised ABR (Rs./kWh)	Increase in ABR w.r.t ABR as per tariff approved in T.O. 28.03.2024	Percentage increase in ABR w.r.t ABR as per tariff approved in TO 28.03.2024 (%)
Domestic	5.83	6.16	0.33	5.66%
Non Domestic	8.45	8.87	0.42	4.97%
Government Public Utilities	8.38	8.81	0.42	5.02%
PTW	2.66	2.86	0.21	7.82%
LT Industrial	7.87	8.23	0.36	4.61%
HT Industrial	7.78	8.24	0.46	5.91%
Mixed Load	7.46	7.86	0.40	5.37%
Railway	7.33	7.79	0.46	6.26%
EV Charging Station	7.00	7.65	0.65	9.29%

- u) The summary of retail tariffs as applicable to different categories of consumers w.e.f. 01.04.2025 are as below:-

**Existing Tariff (Tariff approved in Order dated 28th March, 2024), UPCL
Proposed Tariff and Approved Tariffs for different category of Consumers**

Category Wise Tariff

RTS-1: Domestic

Table 3: Tariff for Domestic Consumers

S. No.	Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
		Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges
	RTS-1: Domestic						
1.1	Life Line Consumers	Rs. 18/Connection	Rs. 1.75/kWh	Rs. 18/Connection	Rs. 1.84/kWh	Rs. 18/Connection	Rs. 1.85/kWh
1.2	Other Domestic Consumers						
(i)	0-100 Units/Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upto 1 kW-Rs. 75/kW/Month • Above 1 kW and upto 4 kW-Rs. 85/ kW/ month • Above 4 kW-Rs. 100/kW/ month 	Rs. 3.40/kWh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upto 1 kW-Rs. 84/kW/Month • Above 1 kW and upto 4 kW-Rs. 95 /kW/month • Above 4 kW-Rs. 112/kW/ month 	Rs. 3.81/kWh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upto 1 kW-Rs. 75/kW/Month • Above 1 kW and upto 4 kW-Rs. 85/ kW/ month • Above 4 kW-Rs. 100/kW/ month 	Rs. 3.65/kWh
(ii)	101-200 Units/Month		Rs. 4.90/kWh		Rs. 5.48/kWh		Rs. 5.25/kWh
(iii)	201-400 Units/Month		Rs. 6.70 /kWh		Rs. 7.50/kWh		Rs. 7.15 /kWh
(iv)	Above 400 Units/Month		Rs. 7.35/kWh		Rs. 8.23/kWh		Rs. 7.80/kWh
2	Single point bulk supply	Rs. 120/kVA	Rs. 7.00/kVAh	Rs.135/kVA	Rs. 7.88/kVAh	Rs. 120/kVA	Rs. 7.50/kVAh

RTS-1A: Snowbound

Table 4: Concessional Tariff for Snowbound Areas

S. No.	Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
		Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charge (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-1A: Snowbound							
1.	Domestic	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 1.75/kWh	Rs. 20/ Connection	Rs. 1.97/kWh	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 1.85/kWh
2.	Non-Domestic upto 1 kW	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 1.75/kWh	Rs. 20/ Connection	Rs. 1.97/kWh	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 1.85/kWh
3.	Non-Domestic above 1 kW & upto 4 kW	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 2.60/kWh	Rs. 20/ Connection	Rs. 2.93/kWh	Rs. 18/ Connection	Rs. 2.75/kWh
4.	Non-Domestic above 4 kW	Rs. 30/ Connection	Rs. 3.80/kWh	Rs. 34/ Connection	Rs. 4.28/kWh	Rs. 30/ Connection	Rs. 4.00/kWh

RTS-2: Non-Domestic**Table 5: Tariff for Non-Domestic**

S. No.	Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
		Fixed/ Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
1	Government, Educational Institutions and Hospitals etc.						
1.1	Upto 25 kW	Rs. 90/ kW	Rs. 5.70/ kWh	Rs.101/kW	Rs 6.42/kWh	Rs. 90/ kW	Rs. 6.00/ kWh
1.2	Above 25 kW	Rs. 100/ kVA	Rs. 5.50/ kVAh	Rs. 113/kVA	Rs 6.19 /kVAh	Rs. 100/ kVA	Rs. 5.85/ kVAh
2	Other Non-Domestic Users						
2.1	Upto 4 kW and consumption upto 60 units per month	Rs. 90 / kW	Rs. 5.40/ kWh	Rs 107 /kW	Rs.6.08 /kWh	Rs. 90 / kW	Rs. 5.75/ kWh
2.2	Others upto 25 kW not covered in 2.1 above	Rs. 110 / kW	Rs. 7.35/ kWh	Rs. 124 /kW	Rs. 8.27 /kWh	Rs. 110 / kW	Rs. 7.75/ kWh
2.3	Above 25 kW	Rs. 115 / kVA	Rs. 7.35/ kVAh	Rs. 130 /kVA	Rs. 8.27/kVAh	Rs. 115 / kVA	Rs. 7.80/ kVAh
3	Single Point Bulk Supply above 75 Kw	Rs. 130 / kVA	Rs. 7.35/ kVAh	Rs. 154/ kVA	Rs. 8.27 /kVAh	Rs. 130 / kVA	Rs. 7.80/ kVAh
4	Independent Advertisement Hoardings	Rs. 140/ kW	Rs. 8.20/kWh	Rs. 158/ kW	Rs 9.23/kWh	Rs. 140/ kW	Rs. 8.60/kWh

RTS-3: Government Public Utilities**Table 6: Tariff for Government Public Utilities**

Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
Urban (Metered)	Rs. 130/kVA	Rs. 7.45/ kVAh	Rs. 146/kVA	Rs. 8.39/ kVAh	Rs. 130/kVA	Rs. 7.85/ kVAh
Rural (Metered)	Rs. 120/kVA	Rs. 7.45/ kVAh	Rs. 135/kVA	Rs. 8.39/ kVAh	Rs. 120/kVA	Rs. 7.85/ kVAh

RTS-4/4A: Private Tube Wells / Pump Sets & Agricultural Allied Activities

Table 7: Tariff for Private tube Wells/ Pump Sets

Category	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed/ Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-4: Private Tube-wells / Pumping sets						
Metered	Nil	Rs. 2.55/ kWh	Nil	Rs. 2.68/ kWh	Nil	Rs. 2.70/ kWh
RTS-: 4A: Agriculture Allied Activities (Metered)						
(Upto 25 kW)	Nil	Rs. 3.60/ kWh	Nil	Rs. 3.78/ kWh	-	Rs. 3.80/kWh
(Above 25 kW & upto 75 kW)					Rs. 75/kVA	Rs. 3.80/kVAh
Above 75 kW					Rs. 100/kVA	Rs. 4.00/kVAh

RTS-5: LT and HT Industry

Table 8: Tariff for LT Industry

Category	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved	
	Fixed Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-5: Industry						
LT Industry						
Contracted Load upto 75 kW	Rs. 185/ kVA	Rs. 5.40/ kVAh	Rs. 185/ kVA	Rs. 6.08/ kVAh	Rs. 185/ kVA	Rs. 5.75/ kVAh

Table 9: Existing, Proposed and Approved Tariff for HT Industries

S. No.	Category	Load Factor	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved Tariff	
			Energy Charges (Rs./kVAh)	Fixed/Demand Charges (Rs./kVA)	Energy Charges (Rs./kVAh)	Fixed/Demand Charges (Rs./kVA)	Energy Charges (Rs./kVAh)	Fixed /Demand Charges (Rs./kVA)
1	HT Industry having contracted load above 88kVA/75 kW (100 BHP)							
1.1	Contracted Load up to 1000 kVA	Upto 40%	6.00	Rs. 410/ kVA of the billable demand	6.75	Rs. 461/kVA of the billable demand	6.45	Rs. 410/ kVA of the billable demand
		Above 40%	6.40		7.20		6.85	
1.2	Contracted Load More than 1000 kVA	Upto 40%	6.00	Rs. 480/ kVA of the billable demand	6.75	Rs. 540/kVA of the billable demand	6.45	Rs. 480/ kVA of the billable demand
		Above 40%	6.40		7.20		6.85	

RTS-6: Mixed Load**Table 10: Tariff for Mixed Load**

Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved Tariff	
	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-6: Mixed Load						
Mixed Load Single Point Bulk Supply above 75 kW including MES as deemed licensee	Rs. 150/kVA	Rs. 6.90/kVAh	Rs. 169/kVA	Rs. 7.77/kVAh	Rs. 150/kVA	Rs. 7.30/kVAh

RTS-7: Railway Traction**Table 11: Tariff for Railway Traction**

Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved Tariff	
	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-7: Railway Traction	Rs. 330/kVA	Rs. 6.60/kVAh	Rs. 392/kVA	Rs. 7.43/kVAh	Rs. 330/kVA	Rs. 7.05/kVAh

RTS-8: Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**Table 12: Tariff for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**

Description	Existing Tariff		UPCL Proposed Tariff		Approved Tariff	
	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges	Fixed / Demand Charges (Per Month)	Energy Charges
RTS-8: Electric Vehicle	--	Rs. 7.00/kWh	--	Rs. 7.35/kWh	--	Rs. 7.65/kWh
