

**Government of Rajasthan
Energy Department**

No. F.20 (6)Energy/98

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 57 read with section 16 of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 (Central Act No. 52 of 2001), the State Government hereby makes the following rules, namely :-

(1) **Short title and commencement-** (1) These rules may be called the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund Rules, 2010.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

(2) Definitions – (1) In these rules unless the context otherwise requires,-

(a) “Act” means the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 (Central Act No. 52 of 2001)

(b) “Government” means Government of Rajasthan.

(c) “Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund” means the fund established under section 16 of the Act.

(d) “Section” means the section of the Act.

(e) “State Designated Agency” means agency designated as State Designated Agency by the State Government under the provision of clause of (d) of section 15 of the Act; and

(f) “State Level Steering Committee” means committee constituted to administer the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund.

(2) Words and expressions used and not defined in these rules but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

(3) Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund- (1) The Fund constituted under these rules shall be administered by the State Designated Agency.

(2) The proceeds of the fund shall be utilized for the purpose of promotion of efficient use of energy and its conservation in the State of Rajasthan.

(3) The Fund shall be credited by all grants and loans that may be made by the Government or Central Government or given by any autonomous body/agency/company/individual for the purpose stated in these rules.

(4) The Fund shall be credited by the proceeds of any tax, levy or duty/cess imposed by State Government for the purpose of energy conservation.

(4) Purpose for which the Funds shall be applied -The fund shall be applied-

(i) to meet the expenditure incurred by the State Designated Agency to take all measures to create awareness and disseminate information for efficient use of energy and its conservation and for undertaking awareness program for consumers, industrial, and commercial sectors, educational institutions, farmers and others;

(ii) to meet the expenditure incurred by the State Designated Agency for training of personnel and specialists for efficient use of energy and its conservation.

(iii) for promotion of Research and Development in the field of Energy Conservation.

(iv) to develop testing and certification procedure, in creation of testing facilities for certification verification and testing of energy consumption of equipments and appliances.

(v) to formulate and facilitate implementation of Pilot and Demonstration projects for promotion of efficient use of energy and its conservation or to provide matching contribution for such projects taken up by Bureau of Energy Efficiency.

(vi) to promote the use of energy efficient processes for the equipments, devices and systems.

(vii) to meet the matching grant to the centrally sponsored schemes and schemes of Bureau of Energy Efficiency implemented in the State of Rajasthan.

(viii) to provide subsidy for use of any energy efficient or energy conservation device or machinery notified by the State Government.

(ix) to meet the expenses incurred by the State Designated Agency for implementing the provisions of the Act; and.

(x) to meet the expenses incurred by the State Designated Agency on staff for dedicated Energy Conservation cell.

5. State Level Steering Committee: - (1) The State Level Steering Committee, to administer the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund, shall consist of the following namely:-

- (i) Principal Secretary/Secretary, to the Government Chairperson
Department of Energy.
- (ii) Chairman and Managing Director, Rajasthan Member Secretary
Renewable Energy Corporation Limited.
- (iii) Chairman and Managing Director, Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Member
Nigam Limited.
- (iv) Chairman and Managing Director, Jaipur Rajya Vidyut Member
Prasaran Nigam Limited.
- (v) Nominee of Finance Department (Not below the rank of Dy. Member
Secretary to Govt.)
- (vi) Nominee of Industries Department (Not below the rank of Dy. Member
Secretary to Govt.)

(2) The meeting of State Level Steering Committee shall be held at least once in every three months.

(3) The State Level Steering Committee shall perform the following functions, namely:-

- (i) to provide guidance and support to State Designated Agency for carrying out the energy conservation activities through the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund;
- (ii) to approve the annual budget for carrying out the energy conservation activities by the State Designated Agency out of the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund; and.
- (iii) to review and monitor the progress of activities carried out by State Designated Agency from the funds of the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund.

(6) Operation of the Fund. (1) The State Designated Agency shall operate the fund under the guidance of State Level Steering Committee.

(2) The State Designated Agency shall prepare the annual budget for activities to be funded from Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund before commencement of the financial year and get it approved by the State Level Steering Committee.

(3) The State Designated Agency shall utilize the funds available in Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund as per the budget approved by the State Level Steering Committee in accordance with the financial rules, procedures and delegation of powers.

(4) The State Designated Agency shall maintain separate accounts for the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund and shall furnish the income and expenditure statement to the State Level Steering Committee regularly.

(5) The funds credited of Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund shall be deposited in PD accounts or as may be advised by the Finance department.

(6) The State Designated Agency shall operate these accounts as per the rules and regulations applicable to the operation of other PD account of State Designated Agency.

(7) Audit of accounts :- (1) The accounts of the Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditors General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him.

(2) The accounts of every financial year of Rajasthan State Energy Conservation Fund shall also be audited annually by an authorized Chartered Accountant.

(8) Closure of Fund: (1) The funds shall remain operative so long as the relevant provision of the Act remains at force.

(2) At the time of closure of the Fund, all unspent balance of the fund/shall be deposited in the State Government account within a period of 15 days of such closure.

By order of the Governor,
23/1/20
(Naresh Pal Gangwar)
Secretary to the Government

Copy to the following for information and necessary action:-

1. Secretary, Ministry of Power, Government of India, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, Government of India, New Delhi.
3. Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Ministry of Power Government of India, New Delhi.
4. Pr. Secretary Finance, Government of Rajasthan Jaipur.
5. Pr. Secretary Energy, Government of Rajasthan Jaipur.
6. CMD, Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corp. Jaipur.
7. Director, Printing & Stationary, Rajasthan, Jaipur with the request to get it published in the extraordinary gazette.
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