



**Government of Jammu and Kashmir**  
**Power Development Department**  
**Civil Secretariat, Jammu/ Srinagar**

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**Subject: - Budget Speech -2018-19 announcements.**

**Reference: - State Administrative Council Decision No. 179/23/2018 dated 12.12.2018.**

**Government Order No: -254-PDD of 2018**

**Dated : 28- 12 - 2018**

1. Finance Department issued Government Order No. 273-FD of 2018 dated 05.06.2018 as under:-

- i. Waiver off 100% interest and penalty on all the power arrears, as on 31.12.2017, owed to the government by the Industrialists/hoteliers and Tourist Resort owners, registered with the department of Industries & Commerce, J&K/Department of Tourism, J&K respectively, provided that they make the outstanding payment of power dues as on 31.03.2018 by or before 30.09.2018 in a maximum of three equal instalments.
- ii. Waiver off 100% interest and penalty on power arrears, as on 31.12.2017, owed to the government by the Small Scale Industries registered with the department of Industries and Commerce, J&K subject to the condition that the outstanding payment of power dues, as on 31.03.2018 is paid by or before 30.09.2018 in a maximum of three equal installments.
- iii. Waiver off the 100% penal interest and surcharge on power arrears, as on 31.12.2017, owed to the government by the Industrial Units declared sick by the department of Industries & Commerce, J&K subject to the condition that the outstanding payment of power dues, as on 31.03.2018 is paid by or before 30.09.2018 is paid in a maximum of three equal instalments.

**It is further ordered that:-**

- i. Such consumers who have fully paid their bills shall not be eligible under this scheme.
- ii. Any default in payment in accordance with the scheme, shall debar the consumer from benefits of the scheme.
- iii. The Power Development Department shall dedicate special offices at all the district headquarters for successful implementation of the scheme."

2. Finance Department issued Government Order No. 267-FD of 2018 dated 30.05.2018 whereunder, "sanction is accorded to the treatment of hotels and resorts at par with the industries so far as payment of power tariff is concerned, subject to the condition that the hotel/resort is registered with the J&K Tourism Department. This shall deemed to have come into force w.e.f. 1st April 2018."

3. A number of Industrialists/hoteliers made various representations to the Govt. at various levels that the Govt. order No. 273-FD of 2018 dated 05.06.2018 be extended by one month more, so that more & more intended beneficiaries may avail benefits and department may also generate the revenue in this behalf.

Similarly, as far as Govt. order No. 267-FD of 2018 dated 30.05.2018 is concerned, there was felt in the department a need for defining the time frame in the said Govt. order.

4. Accordingly both the matters were referred to State Administrative Council (SAC). The State Administrative Council considered the departmental proposal and approved it vide SAC Decision No. 179/23/2018 dated 12.12.2018 as under:-

i. Extension of the date of payment of outstanding dues for a period of one month from the date of issuing of notification in this behalf with the modification that outstanding dues shall be paid in one instalment instead of three equal instalments with reference to Government order No. 273-FD of 2018 dated 05.06.2018 for implementation of the Amnesty Scheme announced for Industrialists, Hoteliers, Tourist Resort Owners, Small Scale Industries and Sick Industries -waiving off interest penalty and surcharge on power dues.

ii. Making Government Order No. 267-FD of 2018 dated 30.05.2018 (treating hotels & resorts at par with the Industries in so far as power tariff is concerned) valid from 01.04.2018 upto 31.03.2019 (financial year 2018-19) only.

iii. The matter be referred to Jammu and Kashmir State Electricity Regulatory Commission (JKSERC) for obtaining advice in respect of the future financial years (2019-20 and thereafter), before a final decision could be arrived at.

5. Accordingly the date of payment of outstanding dues, as on 31.03.2018 with reference to Govt. order No. 273-FD of 2018 dated 05.06.2018, is hereby extended upto 27.01.2019 (27th January 2019) with the modification that outstanding dues shall be paid in one (01) instalment instead of three (3) instalments.

6. It is also ordered that Govt. order No. 267-FD of 2018 dated 30.05.2018 shall be valid from 01.04.2018 to 31.03.2019 (financial year 2018-19) only.

7. All the concerned Chief Engineers and the officers/officials of Power Development Department concerned with the above mentioned subjects are directed to utilize all means & ways to give wide publicity of the above decisions taken by State Administrative Council (SAC), so that all intended beneficiaries may avail the benefits of both the orders/decisions within the prescribed time limits.

By order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

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