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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
ENERGY DEPARTMENT
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May 07, 2013

Subject: **NON-IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CABINET DECISION -
GROWING UNREST AMONG FARMERS**

Dear Finance Secretary

Government of the Punjab is deeply concerned over the growing unrest among the farmers in the Province. A fairly large segment of the farmers have organized themselves into an Association "Kissan Itihad Forum Punjab". This Association refuses to pay tube well electricity dues, which have gone up to around Rs. 13.00 billion. They are staging protests all over the Province to express their resentment against registration of FIRs and arrest of defaulters by the National Accountability Bureau.

Chief Minister held a meeting on May 4, 2013 with a delegation of the Association to address their concerns and persuade them to desist from precipitating law & order situation. The demands of the Association primarily focus on the implementation of the decision taken by the previous Federal Cabinet on the agenda item "Issues of Agriculture Tube wells in Punjab, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa" in its meeting dated 7th March, 2013. The decision envisaged provision of a subsidy in the sum of Rs.16.4 billion per annum through a transparent mechanism to be devised by the Ministry of Water & Power in consultation with the Ministry of Finance.

The Ministry of Water & Power has developed the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for utilization of the approved subsidy on 20-03-2013 (copy enclosed), which the Ministry of Finance is yet to notify. Under these SOPs, the electricity tube well owners will be charged @ Rs.8.00 per unit of electricity inclusive of

all taxes. The SOPs also provide that the recovery of Rs. 7.600 billion against the consumers of Punjab, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa will be made in 12 equal monthly installments from agriculture consumers after posting of concession of Rs.5.00 billion adjusted proportionately to the respective consumers as per actual consumed KWh units during the last five months. The farmers argue that they would pay the arrears of their electricity bills only if these are revised on the basis of Rs.8.00 per unit inclusive of all taxes.

Conduct of fair, free and peaceful General Elections is the top priority of the Punjab Government. General Elections are just a few days away and the Government of the Punjab is committed to address all such issues, which may adversely impact Law & Order situation in the province before or during the General Election. I thus seek your personal intervention in ensuring notification of SOPs prepared by the Ministry of Water & Power regarding tariff reduction of electricity tube wells on priority basis.

Yours sincerely

D/A as above



(MOHAMMAD JEHAZEB KHAN)

DR. WAQAR MASOOD KHAN
Secretary Finance
Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Finance
Islamabad.

Encl: Ministry of Water & Power, Memo No: Agri.T No. 05/06/2012-PF
along with Annexure.

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1. PSO to Chief Minister, Punjab.
2. PSO to Chief Secretary, Punjab.

Agri.T No. 05/06/2012-PF
 Government of Pakistan
 Ministry of Water & Power
 Power Coordination, Policy and Finance Wing

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Islamabad, the 20th March 2013OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP) FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF RELIEF TO THE AGRICULTURE CONSUMERS OF PUNJAB, SINDH AND KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

The undersigned is directed to state that a summary dated 7th March 2013, on "Issues of Agriculture Tubewell in Punjab, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa" was forwarded to the Cabinet for consideration /approval.

2. The Federal Cabinet considered the Summary dated March 7th, 2013, submitted by Ministry of Water and Power on "Issues of Agriculture Tubewells in Punjab, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa" and while approving in principle, the recommendations of the Committee made in para three (03) of the summary with the directions that the mechanism for capping the subsidy at Rs. 16.4 billion per year alongwith an implementation plan for its transparent implementation shall be devised in consultation between Ministry of Water & Power and Ministry of Finance.

3. In pursuance of the Cabinet decision, Ministry of Water and Power constituted a Technical Committee with the participation of Finance Division, to devise mechanism for capping the subsidy at Rs. 16.4 billion per year alongwith an implementation plan for its transparent implementation.

4. Accordingly, meeting of the technical Committee was convened on 20-03-2013 and the Committee submitted Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for capping the subsidy at Rs. 16.4 billion per year alongwith an implementation plan for its transparent implementation (copy enclosed).

5. This is for your information.

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 20/3/2013

Distribution:

1. The Secretary, Finance Division, Islamabad. (with request to issue "Notification" to all relevant stakeholders for implementation of the scheme at the earliest)
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For Information:

1. The Secretary, Planning and Development Division Islamabad
2. The Chairman, NEPRA Islamabad
3. The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
4. The Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
5. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
6. SPS to Secretary Water and Power Islamabad.

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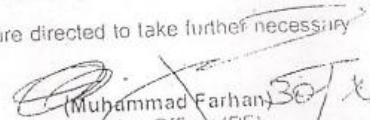
Islamabad, the 30th October 2013

Subject: PRIVATE AGRICULTURE TUBEWELLS IN PUNJAB.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even No. dated 02.09.2013 on the above subject and to convey following directives for the private agriculture tubewells in Punjab.

- a) Last month's (i.e. July 2013) electricity bill will be checked and corrected;
- b) Late fee payment charges on the outstanding bills, till June 2013, will not be charged;
- c) Payment of total existing outstanding bills June 2013 will be made in 10 monthly equal installments;
- d) During peak hours i.e. (6 PM to 10 PM in winter and 5 PM to 11 PM in summer) agri tubewells will not be entitled for power supply.
- e) Rate from tube wells will be charged at the fixed price of Rs.10.35 per unit and will applicable till 30.06.2014.
- f) GST will be paid by the Punjab government.
- g) Fuel Price Adjustment will be catered by the Federal Government.

2. For the implementation of the above agreed decisions, all concerned are directed to take further necessary action to comply with the above decisions as per rules.


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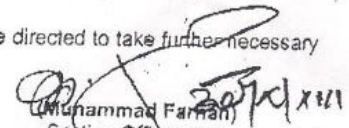
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- l) Rate from tube wells will be charged at the fixed price of Rs.10.5 per unit and will applicable till 30.06.2014.
- m) GST will be paid by the Punjab government.

2. For the implementation of the above agreed decisions, all concerned are directed to take further necessary action to comply with the above decisions as per rules.


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