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HOTEL & RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION OF ODISHA
(Regd. No. 1078-296 of 1985-86)

No. HRAO / C / 1055 / 2020

26th June 2020

Sri Nikunja Bihari Dhal, IAS,
Principal Secretary,
Dept. of Energy, Govt. of Odisha

Respected Sir,

We would like to draw your kind attention regarding the order of OERC dated 22nd April 2020 where it has only deferred the payment of "Minimum Fixed Charge" for establishments having contract demand of 110 KVA and above for the months of April & May till June and July 2020 respectively which is not at all adequate for the hospitality industry.

We, pray to your esteemed office for your kind intervention and immediate consideration of the following relief.

- i. Waiver of Minimum Demand Load during the lockdown period and after the lockdown period is over and operations are allowed, kindly allow us to pay electricity bill on actual demand load for a period of 18 months as cash flows of the industry are badly hit.
- ii. To reduce the rates of per unit electricity charges and charge as per industrial tariff rate because now hotels are been charged at commercial tariff.
- iii. This has also been recommended by Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Tourism Department vide UOI No. 18, dtd 30th March 2020 (copy enclosed).

We sincerely appeal before your esteemed office to for an appointment to discuss on the subject above and oblige.

Thanking you
Most sincerely yours


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Co-Chairman – FICCI National Tourism Council
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Hony. Secretary, Hotel Association of India

NOTE SHEETUOI No. 18 /STDated the 30th March, 2020

Representations have been received from the Hotel Association of India (HAI), Hotel and Restaurant Association of Odisha (HRAO), Hotel Associations of Puri and Sambalpur requesting for a relief package for the hospitality and tourism industry. This will require consideration at the Government level.

The immediate cause of concern for them is that 31st March is the deadline for deposit of advance bar license fees and also the holding tax to ULBs. I understand that the field staff of these organizations are putting pressure for immediate payment of the dues.

It is, therefore, requested that the followings may please be allowed for the present :

- 1) Deferment in payment of Holding Taxes by 3 (three) months.
- 2) Deferment in deposit of advance Bar License Fees by 3 (three) months.
- 3) Deferment of 3 (three) months for payment of Energy Bills.



30/3/20

(Vishal Kumar Dev)
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Tourism Department

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Energy Department