

**A Press Note of APERC**  
**on**  
**Release of Tariff Order in Telugu**  
**FY 2015-16**

The Commission had begun to make the Tariff orders available in Telugu every year beginning with the Tariff order of FY2004-05 despite the fact that the Official language of the Commission is English as per the Andhra Pradesh Electricity Reform Act 1998 and the difficulties that arise in translating the otherwise highly technical words of electricity sector into Telugu and the general shortage of professional translators.

The Commission has ensured the translation of tariff orders into Telugu and posted the same on the website of the Commission every year during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14 except for FY2012-13. The Commission has made the Tariff Orders printed in Telugu available to the stakeholders for every year beginning with FY2004-05 and up to FY2010-11. Accordingly, the Tariff Orders have been made available to the stakeholders either in print form or on website or even both for every year except for FY2012-13.

However, these orders were made available belatedly to the general public due to significant time gap between English and Telugu versions as pointed out by many stakeholders to the Commission during public hearings on ARR/Tariff petitions for FY2015-16. In response to the requests made by different stakeholders during public hearings on ARR/Tariff petitions for FY2015-16, the Commission made efforts to expedite the release of the Telugu Translation of the Tariff Order (before the end of April, 2015).

In the presence of Sri Justice G. Bhavani Prasad, Chairman, APERC, Dr. P. Raghu, Member, APERC and Sri. P. Rama Mohan, Member, APERC, at a small in-house function on the occasion of release of the Translation of the Tariff Order in to Telugu at the Commission's Office, Hyderabad, Sri. K. Ranganatham, B.Tech, FIE, Adviser to Government of Andhra Pradesh in Energy Sector released the book. Sri Ranganatham made significant contributions to Electricity Sector in Andhra Pradesh State for more than 50 years in different capacities such as Director, Distribution, APTransco and CMD of APSPDCL and APNPDCCL in the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh State and the Commission thus expressed its respect for his services to the power sector.