



THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

LUCKNOW

Petition No. 2379 of 2026

QUORUM

Hon'ble Shri Arvind Kumar, Chairman

Hon'ble Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Member

Hon'ble Shri Griesh Kumar Vaish, Member (Law)

IN THE MATTER OF

Petition under Section 86(1)(b) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with the applicable Regulation of the UPERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019 on behalf of UPPCL seeking approval of Amended PPA dated 26.02.2026 for extension of the term of PPA dated 20.04.2007, for supply of 25 MW Power from the Respondent's 37 MW Bagasse based power plant situated at Mankapur, District Gonda and approval for the change in name of the Generating Company from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A unit of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd.) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited (UPPCL),

14th Floor, Shakti Bhawan Extension, 14-Ashok Marg, Lucknow- 226001 ...Petitioner

VERSUS

M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit- Mankapur (BCML),

FMC Fortuna, 2nd Floor, 243/3A, A.J.C Bose Road, Kolkata-700020 ...Respondent

FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT

1. Sh. Divyanshu Bhatt, Advocate, UPPCL
2. Sh. Vishal Kumar, Advocate, UPPCL
3. Sh. Vikas Gupta, EE (PPA), UPPCL
4. Sh. Sandeep Agarwal, CGM, BCML
5. Sh. Pankaj Chaturvedi, Dy. Manager, BCML





ORDER

(DATE OF HEARING: 07.07.2026)

1. The Petitioner, UPPCL filed this Petition for approval of Amended Power Purchase Agreement (APPA) dated 26.02.2026 for the tenure extension of the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) dated 20.04.2007, for supply of 25 MW Power from the Respondent's 37 MW Bagasse based power plant situated at Mankapur and for the approval of name change from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited. The prayers of the Petitioner are as follows:
 - a) Admit the instant Petition on record.
 - b) Pass an Order or direction(s) to grant its approval to the Amended Power Purchase Agreement dated 26.02.2026 between the Petitioner and the Respondent there by permitting the extension of the tenure of supply of power under the PPA till 31.03.2029.
 - c) Pass an Order or direction(s) to direct that the said APPA shall be effective from the date of the execution of the APPA i.e. 26.02.2026.
 - d) Pass an Order or direction(s) to grant its approval to change in name of the Generating Company from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A Unit of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd.) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur.
 - e) Pass any further Order(s) as this Commission may deem fit in the facts and circumstances of the case.

Background of the case

2. The Petitioner has mainly submitted following in the Petition:
 - a) UPPCL and M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A unit of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd.) executed PPA dated 20.04.2007 for procurement of 22 MW power from its 34 MW bagasse-based power plant situated at Mankapur, District Gonda. Thereafter, SPPA dated 29.09.2010 was executed for addition of 3 MW contracted capacity due to augmentation in installed capacity by installing a new unit, the duration of the SPPA





being co-terminus with the PPA dated 20.04.2007 as per the Commission's Order dated 21.06.2011 in Petition No. 703 of 2010.

- b) The Respondent, BCML, vide its letter dated 17.01.2026, requested for extension of tenure of the PPA dated 20.04.2007 for a period of five years as per the applicable tariff under the CRE Regulations, 2024. Thereafter, UPPCL and BCML entered into an APPA dated 26.02.2026 for extension of the term of the PPA till 31.03.2029 in accordance with Clause 20 of the PPA dated 20.04.2007, which provides that the duration of the PPA can be extended if mutually agreed between the parties after the expiry of the 20 years.
- c) As per the Commissioning Certificate issued by Electricity Distribution Division, Gonda, commissioning date of 34 MW Unit was 20.09.2006 and the PPA is due to expire on 19.09.2026. Accordingly, APPA dated 26.02.2026 was executed for extending the PPA till 31.03.2029.
- d) The Commission notified the CRE Regulations, 2024 on 17.10.2025. The tariff specified under Schedule-I of the CRE Regulations, 2024, would become applicable. Further, all existing terms and conditions of the PPA dated 20.04.2007 shall continue to apply under the APPA dated 26.02.2026, with tariff as per the CRE Regulations, 2024. The APPA shall be effective from the date of its execution i.e., 26.02.2026.

Records of Proceedings

- 3. During the hearing, Sh. Divyanshu Bhatt, Counsel for UPPCL submitted that the present Petition pertained to approval of the Amended PPA dated 26.02.2026 executed between UPPCL and M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd., Unit-Mankapur, for extension of the term of the PPA dated 20.04.2007 up to 31.03.2029 and for the approval of name change of the Generating Company from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A Unit of Balrampur Chikni Mills Ltd.) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur.
- 4. On a specific query of the Commission regarding name change of the Generating Company, Sh. Pankaj Chaturvedi, on behalf of BCML responded that the GST Registration Certificate has been issued in the name of M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit Mankapur and the same has been done with all the generating units of the Company operating in the State. He further submitted that except the name change everything remains the same for the Mankapur Chini Mills Ltd. The Commission





observed that the parties should have obtained the approval of the name change earlier at the time of grant of name change instead of approaching now in this matter,

Analysis & Decision

5. UPPCL by way of instant Petition is seeking approval of the Amended PPA dated 26.02.2026 executed with M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd., Unit-Mankapur for extension of the PPA dated 20.04.2007 up to 31.03.2029 on the same terms & conditions. The relevant extracts of the Amended PPA dated 26.02.2026 are as below:

- "f) The Minutes of Meeting held between M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Power Division and UPPCL, states that the plant was synchronized with the Grid on 20.09.2006. The Certificate of Commissioning dated 11.03.2011 issued by EDD-Gonda which mentions the Unit wise Commissioning Date of the Plant states the commissioning of first unit on 20.09.2006 for the quantum of 22 MW and the second unit on 26.11.2010 for the quantum of 3 MW.
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- h) M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd., Unit-Mankapur, vide its letter dated 17.01.2026 requested for extension of tenure of the Power Purchase Agreement dated 20.04.2007 due to expiry of the PPA on 19.09.2026 for a period of 5 years with the same terms and conditions as in the existing PPA and as per applicable tariff of CRE Regulation, 2024 and its revision thereof. Further M/s Balrampur Chini Mills has requested for name updation of the generating plant from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A unit of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur.
- i) M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited has provided the "GST Registration Certificate" and "Registration and License to Work a Factory" issued by the Labour Department, Uttar Pradesh, in which the factory name is changed from M/s Mankapur Chini Mills (A Unit of M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur effective from 14.03.2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and respective covenants and agreements set forth in this PPA and other consideration, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree to the following terms:

- A. UPPCL accords the name change of M/s Mankapur Chini Mills, Mankapur (A unit of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd) to M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Limited, Unit-Mankapur.
- B. There should no financial/commercial impact on UPPCL due to name change.





- C. The duration of the Power Purchase Agreement 20.04.2007 is hereby extended till 31.03.2029, to align with the validity period of the CRE Regulations 2024, for the total contracted capacity of 25 MW (22MW + 3MW).
- D. The following tariff for Bagasse based generation plants for Existing Projects commissioned during FY 2005-06 or earlier to FY 2008-09 (Rs/kWh) as mentioned in UPERC CRE Regulations, 2024 shall be applicable:-

Total Tariff (Rs./kWh)

Year of Commissioning	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	FY 2028-29
FY 2005-06 or earlier	4.33	4.28	4.41	4.54	4.68
FY 2006-07	4.34	4.47	4.43	4.55	4.70
FY 2007-08	4.37	4.49	4.44	4.57	4.71
FY 2008-09	4.38	4.50	4.64	4.77	4.72

- E. Except the above amendment, the Parties acknowledge and confirm that all other terms and conditions in Power Purchase Agreement dated 20.04.2007 read with the UPERC CRE Regulations-2024, as amended from time to time, shall be followed.
- F. This Amended Power Purchase Agreement is subject to approval of UPERC."
6. It is noted that the 'Commissioning date' under clause (f) of the APPA dated 26.02.2026 specified to be 20.09.2006 for the quantum of 22MW Unit and 26.11.2010 for the quantum of 3MW Unit. Accordingly, as per Regulation 6 (IV) of the CRE Regulations, the applicable tariff shall be weighted average of the Units commissioned in different years. The relevant extract of the said Regulation 6 is provided as under:

"6. Tariff for Supply of Electricity to Distribution Licensee-

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IV. The Tariff for supply of electricity from the Generating Plant, having more than one unit commissioned in different years, shall be based on weighted average of the tariff of contracted capacities of the units commissioned in different years."

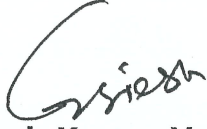
7. The Commission observes that applicable tariff of Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd., Unit-Mankapur existing bagasse-based power plant is economical vis-à-vis tariff of newly commissioned bagasse-based plants. Further, energy procured from such bagasse-based plants would also support UPPCL in meeting RPO/RCO targets. **Accordingly, the Commission approves the Amended PPA dated 26.02.2026 executed between M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd., Unit-Mankapur and Uttar Pradesh Power**

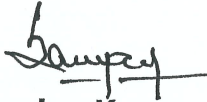




Corporation Limited (i.e., UPPCL) till 31.03.2029 at the tariff specified in UPERC CRE Regulations, 2024. The Commission also accord the change of name from 'M/s Mankapur Chini Mills Ltd., Mankapur' to 'M/s Balrampur Chini Mills Ltd. unit- Mankapur'. Further, UPPCL is advised to take cognizance of the name change in respect of other companies and ensure necessary approval for the same at the earliest.

The Petition stands disposed of in terms of above.


(Griesh Kumar Vaish)
Member (Law)


(Sanjay Kumar Singh)
Member


(Arvind Kumar)
Chairman



Place: Lucknow

Dated: 15.07.2026