

**NAGALAND ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
(NERC)**



TARIFF ORDER

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**Performance Review for the FY 2022-23
and
Revised Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR)
&
Tariff Order for the FY 2023-24**

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