Issues of Public Hearing Regarding Application of Bahria Town (Private) Limited for the Grant of Distribution Licence

- The Eligibility Criteria (Distribution Licences) Rules, 2023 have been notified after the submission of application of Bahria Town (Private) Limited Lahore (BTPL). In view of the said, whether the BTPL fulfills the said eligibility criteria?
- Whether the BTPL is eligible in terms of finance, human resource, and technical expertise to carry out the functions of the distribution of electric power as prescribed in the eligibility criteria rules?
- 3. Whether the grant of distribution licence to BTPL is maintainable without the application and grant of Supplier of Last Resort (SoLR) licence considering the Eligibility Criteria (Electric Power Supplier Licences) Rules, 2023?
- What is the purpose and need to have distribution licence? can BTPL not hand over its distribution network to LESCO? whether BTPL ever approached LESCO for the same? if approached, what was the response of LESCO?
- 5. Has BTPL taken up the matter with LESCO to act as SoLR? If yes, what was the response of the LESCO in this regard to proceed further in the matter?
- 6. When the distribution network of Bahria Town was built? whether the distribution network/territory is fixed or will be expanded in future?
- What is the present physical status of the distribution network in terms of its health and reliability, etc? what is remaining useful life of the network? and who operate and maintain the same and under which regulatory approval?
- Whether BTPL has obtained approvals from the EPA or Civic Agency/LDA, etc before applying for the grant of distribution licence for its locations including Mohlanwal and Bahria Orchards or otherwise?
- 9. Whether BTPL plans to obtain a consolidated distribution licence for the above locations or separate licences are required?

- Whether BTPL has laid down the distribution network from its own sources or cost of the network was recovered from the residents? whether the network is in line with the approved designs/specifications of DISCO(s)/NTDC or otherwise?
- 11. What is total length (km) and capacity (MVA) of HT/LT network of Bahria Town? what is total number of consumers and their mix? what are annual energy sales? what is billing procedure in Bahria Town? and what is percentage of T&D losses?
- Whether any HSE department has been established in Bahria Town or otherwise? and can BTPL justify in quantified terms that it is providing safe, reliable and uninterrupted power supply to its consumers?
- 13. There are complaints against BTPL pertaining to excessive fee for connections, over billing and non-availability of the staff, load shedding and higher electricity tariffs, etc. what are your comments on the said issues?
- 14. KEL has raised issues i.e. (a). simultaneous procurement of power from Competitive Supplier and SoLR; (b). aligning of one point supply with the applicable regulatory framework and design of CTBCM; (c). stranded cost and cross-subsidy surcharge; and (d). CTBCM Model as a single framework for open market/bilateral transactions. What are your comments on the said issues?