

Monthly Work and Learning Report – March 2026 (Weeks 33–36)

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March 2026 was a highly engaging and intellectually rewarding month, marked by deeper involvement in regulatory analysis, enhanced analytical work, and meaningful personal development. Compared to previous months, my responsibilities expanded in both complexity and impact, allowing me to build greater confidence in handling regulatory data, participating in formal proceedings, and contributing to documentation processes.

A major focus of my work during this period was the assessment of Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) compliance of KSEBL and OA/Captive users, in alignment with SERC and Ministry of Power regulations. I was actively involved in verifying compliance data, examining subsidy accounting details, and cross-checking RPO values against prescribed regulatory standards. This experience significantly strengthened my understanding of regulatory frameworks, utility obligations, and the critical role of accuracy in policy-driven, data-intensive environments.

I also played an active role in supporting the proceedings of the State Advisory Committee (SAC) and State Coordination Forum (SCF). My contributions included organizing documents, preparing attendance records, and compiling key regulatory materials such as tariff regulations and amendments. Attending these meetings provided first-hand exposure to stakeholder discussions and policy deliberations. Preparing the minutes of meetings further enhanced my ability to document complex discussions in a structured, concise, and professional manner.

Additionally, I attended multiple regulatory hearings related to tariff adoption, power procurement, expansion of license areas, and infrastructure development. These sessions, involving senior officials and stakeholders, offered valuable insights into real-time regulatory decision-making, interpretation of policies, and the operational dynamics of the power sector. I also examined the functioning of a newly installed smart meter at the Commission under the guidance of Mohanakumar B. V. Sir, which improved my practical understanding of energy metering systems.

On the analytical front, I worked on compiling year-wise transmission and distribution data, reviewing truing-up orders, annual reports of KSEBL, and audited financial statements. I performed calculations such as CAGR and year-on-year growth rates, and derived normative values using different methodologies. I also contributed to modifications in the control period across various forms under the MYT Regulations. These tasks significantly enhanced my analytical thinking, data interpretation skills, and understanding of performance evaluation within the energy sector.

Beyond technical work, I made conscious efforts toward personal and professional development. I improved my personal website by adding new sections such as a vocabulary module and an article on the “Startup Ecosystem in Kerala,” along with refining its overall design.

During March, I completed reading *Made in Japan* by Akio Morita (published by Penguin). The book provides deep insights into the evolution of Sony, leadership philosophy, innovation culture, and global business strategy. It highlights how vision, discipline, and adaptability shape long-term success. Among the books I have read so far, this stands out as the most impactful due to its practical lessons on entrepreneurship, decision-making, and resilience. I also prepared a detailed mind map and review, which improved my comprehension, synthesis, and articulation skills.

Compared to previous months, March marked a noticeable improvement in my ability to independently handle analytical tasks, understand regulatory nuances, and contribute meaningfully to official processes. My knowledge of the power sector regulatory framework has expanded significantly, particularly in areas such as RPO compliance, tariff mechanisms, and financial analysis.

In terms of overall development:

- Knowledge: Improved understanding of regulatory systems, financial analysis, and sector-specific policies
- Skills: Enhanced analytical ability, documentation skills, and professional communication
- Habits: Better time management, structured thinking, and consistency in learning

- Attitude: Increased confidence, responsibility, and proactive engagement in tasks

Overall, March 2026 was a transformative month that not only deepened my technical and regulatory expertise but also contributed significantly to my personal growth. The combined exposure to practical work, analytical challenges, and continuous learning has strengthened my foundation for future professional responsibilities.