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**COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR No. 163**

**Subject :- “Abhay Yojana” Schemes for Recovery of arrears from:**

1. Live & PD Public Water Works
2. PD Industrial Consumers
3. Live & PD Residential (BPL/Tribal/RGGVY Consumers)
4. Other Residential Consumers (Only PD)
5. PD Agricultural consumers

The Tariffs, ARR and other related issues are at present governed by the MERC Tariff Regulations 2005. The Tariff Regulations inter-alia covers all the aspects of ARR, Tariff, Power Purchase, Capital Investments, etc.

In the orders the Commission has been provisioning 1.5% of revenue from sale of electricity for bad debts. MSEDCL is considering the same for all the past years.

From the total provisions available to MSEDCL for writing off the bad debts up to March 2012, MSEDCL has already written off some amount of bad debt on BIFR cases, Interest on Fuel Adjustment Charges, Krishi Sanjivani Yojana & Nal Sanjivani Yojana, etc.

After considering total amount available for write off as on March 2012, the proposal for write off for live & PD Public Water Works, PD Industrial Consumers, Live & PD Residential (BPL/Tribal/ RGGVY Consumers), other Residential Consumers (only PD) and PD Agricultural consumers were submitted before the Board. The Board vide B.R. No. 76 dated. 22/03/2012 has given approval for write off as under for consumers of the following categories.

1. Industrial LT & HT (PD)
2. PWW Rural & Urban (PD + Live)
3. Residential BPL/Tribal/RGGVY (Live + PD)
4. Other Residential Consumer (Only PD)
5. Agricultural Consumers HT (PD) / LT (PD)

Further, it is extremely necessary that the recovery of the balance amount has to be pursued stringently from the above category of consumers. Accordingly, all the consumers where the write off has been approved by the Board is as under –

**1) Scheme for Rural / Urban Public Water Works (Live and PD consumers):**

1. 100% interest and 100% DPC amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is to be waived off.
2. The consumers will have to pay the arrears of principal amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012. If required, maximum 24 equal monthly instalments payable with current bills will be allowed and if not paid, supply shall be disconnected observing MSEDCL's procedure.

3. In case litigation, if the decree is not executed, the same will also get covered in this scheme.
4. Legal expenses to be borne by the respective consumer.
5. In case of PD consumers, new connections be released as per the existing rules.
6. In case of non-payment of principal arrears, interest will accumulate as per specified rules, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.

**2) Scheme for PD LT / HT Industrial Consumers:**

1. 50% interest and 100% DPC amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is to be waived off.
2. In case the 100% principal amount along with 20% interest as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012, paid by the PD consumer in next three months period, i.e. up to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012, the balance 30% interest as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 will be waived off.
3. All the legal expenses to be borne by consumer and new connection will be released as per rules.
4. Cases where decrees have been passed will not be eligible under this scheme.
5. In case of non-payment of principal arrears, interest will accumulate as per specified rules, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.

**3) A) Scheme for Residential: (BPL/Tribal/RGGVY Consumers):**

1. 100% interest and 100% DPC amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is to be waived off in respect of BPL consumers, tribal area consumers (the tribal consumer residing in notified tribal area) and beneficiary under RGGVY.
2. The said scheme is applicable to PD as well as live consumers.

**B) Other Residential Consumers (only PD):**

1. 50% interest and 100% DPC amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is to be waived off.
2. If 100% principal amount along with 10% interest as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is paid by the consumer in three months, balance 40% interest is to be waived off.
3. Cases waiting decree as on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011 is to be considered.
4. Legal expenses to be borne by the consumer and new connection will be released as per rules.
5. In case of non-payment of principal arrears, interest will accumulate as per specified rules from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.

**4) Scheme for HT/LT PD Agricultural Consumers:**

1. 100% interest and 100% DPC amount as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 is to be waived off.
2. Legal expenses to be borne by the consumer and new connection will be released as per rules.
3. In case of non-payment of principal arrears, interest will accumulate as per specified rules from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.

All necessary steps shall be taken to ensure that the recoveries as per above are followed up with. The consumers may also be informed the above schemes in order to avail the benefits.

Further wide publicity may be given so as to implements the scheme successfully.

  
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