COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR No. 90

Sub:- Concession in the payment of Additional Security Deposit in respect of Powerloom Consumers and Agricultural consumers.

Ref:-
4) Representation dt. 14/07/2008 from Powerloom Association, Ichalkaranji.

Based on the legal provisions in respect of recovery of Security Deposit from the consumers, a Commercial Circular No. 57 dated 07-07-07 was issued. In this circular, detailed guidelines regarding recovery of additional security deposit from the existing consumers are issued. As per legal provisions, it is instructed that if the amount of Additional Security Deposit remained unpaid for any reasons whatsoever, it should be treated as outstanding arrears and should be merged in the main bill, which will attract interest and DPC as per rules.

In view of the representations, from various consumers, consumer forums, and also the directive of GoM during the Monsoon Assembly session (July 2008), a decision was taken that residential consumers having average consumption of 300 units per month should be given six equal installments for the payment of Additional Security Deposit. This decision was also communicated to all the field Officers vide Circular No. 85 dated 25-07-2008.

The Powerloom Association, Ichalkaranji has given representation vide letter dt. 14/07/2008 regarding recovery of Additional Security Deposit and requested to charge the Additional Security Deposit as per subsidized tariff.

The Powerloom and Agricultural consumer are receiving subsidy from Government and the amount of subsidy is being directly received from the Government. Therefore the liability of these consumers is limited to payment of amount at subsidized / Govt. rate. Thus, the Powerloom and Agricultural consumers are liable to pay as per Govt./ subsidized rate only and hence they could be considered for securitizing their bills in that proportion only.

In view of above facts, Competent Authority has approved to recover Additional Security Deposit to LT Powerloom consumer and Agricultural (LT & HT) consumers as under:

1) For all LT Powerloom consumers and Agricultural consumers including HT AG and HT LIS, Additional Security Deposit to be worked out and claimed on the basis of billing as per Government subsidized rate & not as per MERC tariff.
2) The Interest & D.P.C., if any, already charged on the total ASD amount to be reworked on the basis of calculations of Additional SD as per Govt./subsidized rate instead that has been done at MERC rate.

3) Thus, the differential interest i.e difference between the interest calculated at MERC rate and the interest calculated at Govt./subsidized rate to be waived off.

4) If any consumer has already paid the amount of Additional SD, then same will not be refunded at present. However as per the regulations, it will be adjusted in the first billing cycle of financial year.

5) No installments shall be given for payment of this reworked Additional Security Deposit and will be required to be paid immediately.

6) The amount of SD payable by these consumers will be shown in the ensuing bills generated by I.T. Section after communication of this decision.

7) If Additional S.D. worked out on the basis of GOM rate is not paid by the consumers as scheduled, it will attract interest and DPC as per rules. Also supply of such consumers will be liable for disconnection as per provisions of the Indian Electricity Act, 2003 and Supply Code Regulations of MERC.

8) These instructions are applicable for the recovery of Additional Security Deposit in the current financial year i.e. 2008-2009 and will be implemented with immediate effect.

    All field officers are requested to recover Additional Security Deposit from the LT Powerloom consumers and Agricultural (LT & HT) consumers as per above instructions.

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