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Circular

To, All Superintending Engineers, O&M Circle, MSEDCL.

Sub: Removal of illegally fixed communication cables on MSEDCL Structures.

Ref: 1) MERC order dtd 29.06.2006

2) Mahanet G.R.-GAD/ मा तं सं 082/3/2018-DIR DIT(MH) dt 17.02.2018

Many incidences regarding fatal and non-fatal accidents, while illegally fixing communication cables on MSEDCL structures/ lines by local cable operators, have been reported. This act on behalf of cable operators is not only illegal but also causing threat to the safety of our lines/equipments and men working on these lines/equipments. It is also resulting into loss of human lives, hardship to the consumers due to breakdown on lines/equipments and financial losses to MSEDCL. MERC vide its order dt 29th June 2006 has already directed to remove all encroachments on MSEDCL's poles from the cable operators immediately to avoid any untoward incidents due to it. However, it is observed that there is total negligence from MSEDCL side on this illegal action of communication/cable operators at local level. The management has considered these incidences very seriously.

In view of above, it is instructed that all the cables illegally fixed on any MSEDCL structures, DTCs, HT & LT lines etc. shall be removed immediately. It shall be ensured that no such cables are fixed illegally on our structure in future. Responsibility shall be fixed on concerned section engineer and line staff of the section if any such illegal cables are found on any structure. SDO & EE, during their visits, should always check for such illegal actions. However, communication cables fixed by Mahanet, after taking due permission of nodal officer Ex. Engineer (MSEDCL) as per Govt. Resolution dt 17.02.2018, shall be allowed. Further, a public notice shall be given in local newspapers through PRO for creating awareness in the public, regarding not to fix such cables on our structures. The local revenue authority shall be informed about this decision of MSEDCL. Further, if any accident, to human beings/animals, fatal/non-fatal and damages to MSEDCL'S Property occurs, complaint shall be lodged against the owner/agencies in local police station and compensation be claimed from these agencies.

SEs/CEs are requested to take review of removal of illegal cables on MSEDCL structures during their monthly review.

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C.s.w.rs to -The Director (Operations), MSEDCL, Mumbai

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2) All Chief Engineers, O&M Zones, MSEDCL.

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