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**CIRCULAR**

**Sub:-** Refund of expenditure on Infrastructure Development for release of New Connections under New Consumer/Connection (NC)-Refund Scheme.

- Ref.:-**
- 1) Circular No. CE(Dist)/D-III/NSC/30011 dated 20.12.2018.
  - 2) Circular No. CE(Dist)/D-III/Technical/7949 dated 19.03.2019.
  - 3) Circular No. CE(Dist)/D-III/NSC/14157 dated 21.05.2019.
  - 4) Office Note No. CE(Dist)/M-I/NSC Refund dated 05.04.2022. (F-3733/2022)

With reference to the above subject, guidelines on Infrastructure Development to release New Connections have been issued vide circulars at ref.(1) to (3). The provision has been provided in the circulars that the Developer/ Builder/ Owner/ Applicant can opt for developing the Infrastructure for expediting the development. After the completion of infrastructure and handing over of the same to MSEDCL, the Developer/ Builder/ Owner/ Applicant will be reimbursed amount equivalent to 100% of the cost of the material i.e. cost of material up to service point as per prevailing cost data of MSEDCL with valid GST invoice. Further, it has been provided that such refund shall be provided in five installments. This office was in receipt of various letters from field offices requesting to provide detailed payment procedure for processing refund of expenditure to applicants in New Consumer/Connection (NC)-Refund Scheme.

Accordingly, proposal was processed for the approval to methodology for refund of expenditure to Developer/Builder/Owner/Applicants vide Office Note at ref.(4). The competent authority has vide Office Note at ref.(4) has accorded approval to following methodology for refund of expenditure to Developer/Builder/Owner/Applicants:-

1. The refunds for individual consumer shall be effected as in Non DDF CC&RF scheme through incoming monthly energy bills up to 50% of monthly bill amount.
2. The refunds for group premises (multiple consumers in contiguous premises eg. housing societies, commercial establishments like malls, IT parks, etc) shall be effected in 05 (five) equal installments in period of 05 years through NEFT/DD/cheque.

3. The individual consumers which are permanently disconnected before the credit of refund amount would be credited the balance refundable amount upon request through NEFT/DD/cheque after adjustment of pending dues/arrears, if any.

4. In case of consumers upgrading from LT to HT or vice versa, increase or reduction in load and involving permanent disconnection of old LT connection with new HT connection or vice versa in same premises, the balance refundable amount to be credited against new connection, after adjustment of pending dues/arrears with verification of ownership.

The development of IT system for processing of refund applications along financial/accounting procedures for processing refund of expenditure is under process.

The above circular shall come into force with immediate effect.

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