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Sub: Guidelines regarding PD procedure and monitoring there off.

In connection with the above subject as on Dec-22, MSEDCL has 2.38 Cr. LT RCI live Consumers having arrears amounting Rs. 2881.7 Cr. It is also noticed that there are 34.8 lakhs PD Consumers having arrears amounting Rs. 4070 Cr. and 3.14 lakh consumers were made PD during FY 22-23 having arrears of 434 Cr.

From the above it is evident that the quantum of PD arrears is huge as compared to live consumers arrears which is due to lack of substantial efforts for verifications of PD consumers and recovery there off.

It is well known fact that no consumer can survive without power supply & hence conversion of such huge number of live consumers to PD is not possible. There is strong possibility that these PD consumers are shown PD only for purpose of accounting whereas actually they are using the power through same connection or through illegal extension from other consumer or through theft. Many consumers might have obtained new connection in the same premises with same/different name & adequate care is not taken while releasing new connections. The above situation is very alarming and deeply impacting the financial well-being of MSEDCL. Hon. CMD has taken serious note of the same.

As there is lack of monitoring from field officers following changes are made in the PD procedure.

1. For LT Consumers

Section Officer will submit PD request and upload necessary documents like PD report, photo of PD Meter/Premises etc. Concerned SDO O&M will verify the same & recommend and Executive Engineer of concerned Division will approve the request.

2. For HT Consumers

Superintending Engineer of concerned O&M Circle will submit PD request along with necessary documents, PD report etc. Concern Chief Engineer of O&M Zone will verify and approve the request.

Also to boost the recovery against PD arrears; monitoring on PD consumers is to be done on regular basis like –

- 1. Regular checking of PD consumers premises and taking appropriate actions on consumer and employee as the case may be.
- 2. Filing recovery suits against selected PD consumers.
- 3. Taking regular review of past recovery suits and Decree cases for execution.
- 4. Verification report of Section Officer certifying 'No Arrears' while release of new connection.

All possible efforts are to be taken for recovery of PD arrears.

The above guidelines are to be followed scrupulously.

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Chief Engineer (Billing & Revenue)

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- 1) Director (Operations), MSEDCL, Prakashgad, Mumbai.
- 2) Director (Finance), MSEDCL, Prakashgad, Mumbai.
- 3) Jt. Managing Director, MSEDCL, Aurangabad/Kokan Region.
- 4) Executive Director (B&R), MSEDCL, Prakashgad, Bandra.
- 5) Regional Director, MSEDCL, Nagpur / Pune Region.

Copy f.w.c. to:

- 1) All Chief Engineer, O&M Zone, MSEDCL.
- 2) The Chief General Manager (IT).... for necessary changes in the system.

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All Superintending Engineer, O&M Circle, MSEDCL.