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Subject :- Instructions for conducting inquiry in theft cases.

Ref :-1) Office Order -13 of CGM (T/E) dt. 18.08.2010.

- 2) No. VS/TOE/Enq/00038 dt. 04.01.2011
- 3) Board Resolution No. 527 dt. 22.02.2016.
- 4) Board Resolution No. 726 dt. 19.09.2016.
- 5) MPR 68 dt. 26.09.2016.
- 6) Circular No. 657 dt. 14.06.2017
- 7) ED(S&E) Circular No.287 dt. 02.04.2018.
- 8) ED(S&E) Circular ED(S&E)/Inquiry/Guidelines/843 dt. 23.09.2022.

In accordance with the above subject, as per letter under ref. no. 1 and 5 restructuring of S&E department was done. Accordingly work related to Security and Enforcement was allotted to this department. Flying Squads working under S&E department carry out important tasks of detection of theft as well as cases related to loss of revenue. As per approval accorded by the competent authority procedure for dealing with theft cases detected by Flying Squads and O&M offices were previously issued. Instructions were circulated vide letter under ref. no. 7 laying down the procedure for conducting inquiry in theft cases above Rs.1 Lakhs. But it has been observed and conveyed by S&E Region Offices that the procedure laid down in the above circular lacks clarity about the responsibilities fixed to them. Considering this the procedure needs to be simplified to bring clarity and uniformity in dealing with the theft cases crime reports. In this regard following instructions and guidelines are promulgated.

Part-1 Dealing with theft cases detected in which involved amount is between Rs.1 Lakh to Rs.5 Lakhs.

1. All S&E Flying Squads/ O&M field offices will inform & submit complete documents of theft of energy cases (Crime Reports), where involved amount is Rs.1 Lakh to Rs.5 Lakh, detected by them to their respective Deputy Director (S&E) Region Office as per the checklist enclosed in Annexure-1.
2. Such Crime Reports received to S&E Region Offices will be scrutinized and based on the scrutiny reports and the facts mentioned therein, Deputy Director (S&E) will recommend whether detailed open inquiry needs to be initiated or otherwise. Aforementioned Crime Report along with the documents as per the checklist and Region Office scrutiny report with the recommendations of Deputy Director (S&E) should then be submitted to S&E Corporate Office.
3. S&E Corporate office will then carry out further scrutiny of the received Crime Reports and Assistant Director (HQ) will submit the case along with his recommendations to Executive Director (S&E). Generally, Theft cases in which assessment amount is above Rs.1 Lakh but less than Rs.5 are sent to concerned Joint Managing Director/ Regional Director Office for further action. Such cases in which Executive Director (S&E) accords approval for forwarding the case to concerned Joint

Managing Director/ Regional Director Office should be forwarded with clear mention of the points in which further inquiry is necessary. Or in such cases in which further inquiry is not required should be closed and filed as per the directives of Executive Director (S&E).

4. Joint Managing Director/ Regional Director Office will decide appropriate action to be initiated in the cases forwarded by Executive Director (S&E).

Part-2 Dealing with theft cases detected in which involved amount is Rs.5 Lakhs and above.

1. Same procedure as mentioned in Part 1- point no. 1 & 2 should be followed in theft cases where involved amount is Rs.5 Lakhs and above.

2. As per the approval accorded by the Competent Authority, in theft cases amounting Rs.5 Lakhs and above Executive Director (S&E) has the authority to order inquiry. In accordance with this, S&E Corporate office will carry out further scrutiny of the received Crime Reports and Assistant Director (HQ) will submit the case along with his recommendations to Executive Director (S&E). Accordingly, Executive Director (S&E) will decide appropriate action about initiating inquiry.

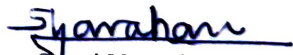
3. The cases, in which approval for open inquiry is accorded by Executive Director (S&E), will be forwarded to the concerned Zonal S&E Units or S&E Region Offices for further investigation. The investigation should be completed and report should be submitted within the specified time limit.

Part-3 Dealing with theft cases where there is suspicion of involvement of employees of S&E department.

Theft cases reported by Region Offices where there is suspicion of involvement of employees of S&E department, Executive Director (S&E) being the Competent Authority will decide appropriate action to be taken. In such cases procedure laid down in Part 2 should be followed.

The aforesaid guidelines should be scrupulously followed from onwards to streamline the work of dealing with theft cases above Rs.1 Lakh and Rs.5 Lakhs.

Encl:- Checklist Annexure-1


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ANNEXURE- 1

Checklist for forwarding theft cases to S&E Corporate Office in which theft energy involved amount is Rs.1 Lakh and above.

Parameter		Particulars	Yes/No
Theft Information Source	1	Whether theft information received from any complaint?	
	2	Whether theft detected in Special arranged inspection drive?	
	3	Whether theft detected during routine inspection in the areas?	
Predetection Aspects	4	Complaint against Company Employee for his personal involvement in theft of energy.	
	5	Preinspection CPL/MRI data analysis if any.	
Involved amt. in theft	6	Whether involved amount in theft is Rs.1 Lakh and above?	
Documents related to detected theft case	7	Visit Diary.	
	8	Spot Inspection Report.	
	9	All Panchnamas prepared in the case.	
	10	Photos/Videos collected as evidences.	
	11	MRI Analysis/Meter Reading if any.	
	12	Necessary Billing Information (Energy Bill/CPL).	
	13	List of muddemal.	
	14	Detailed Assessment Sheet prepared by Assessing Officer.	
	15	System generated Bill Revision Report.	
	16	Bill issued to consumer by Sdn Office.	
	17	Receipts/OCCS (If amount paid of Theft energy charges).	
18	Receipts/OCCS (If amount paid of theft Compounding charges).		
19	Copy of FIR.(in non-compunded cases) (Y/N/NA)		
Post theft detection aspect	20	If Assessment unpaid supply disconnected? (Y/N)	

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