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ADEE/GRC

Sub: Suggestion towards system improvement regarding provision of temporary electrical connection to commercial shops/establishment no related with Railway working directly.

Ref: SDGM/GRC's letter no.G.13 /C/2017/12/00438/V5/KGP/1033 dt . 15.09.2020

Suggestion for extending temporary connection to Commercial Shops/Establishment not related with Railway working directly has been circulated by SDGM/GRC for implementation. The letter is self explanatory.

However at the time of implementation, the following points also to be followed.

- (i) Permanent records to be maintained for keeping annual observations of Junior Scale three member committee as recommended, detecting violation of terms and conditions mentioned in Agreement.
- (ii) In case of drawing/consuming more power above as mentioned in Agreement clause 2 (iii), the penalty to be claimed at double the prevailing rate on excess KWH drawl.
- (iii) For restoration of Power Supply, a defaulter Licensee has to pay Rs 500/- for reconnection of service line again.

Copy of suggestion by SDGM/GRC with Annexure - A i.e. agreement copy is sending for implementation early.

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No. G.130/C/2017/12/00438/V5/KGP/10.33

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Ref: (i) Railway Board's letter No. 84/Elec. I/137/93 dtd. 27-10-1988.
(ii) This office letter No.G.130/PC/2011/02/011/V2/V.Con/2016 dtd. 03-02-14 addressed to PCEE/SER.

Repeated complaints are being received from shop owner/ Power of attorney holder for extension of electric Power supply to shops located on Railway Land at Goal Bazar and Gate Bazar area of Kharagpur division.

In order to streamline the procedure & improving transparency for temporary electrical connection to commercial shops, Vigilance had already suggested two system improvements (in 2007 & 2014) addressing the issues related to renewal of license, multiple license, outstanding license fees. As per above recommendation KGP division is currently maintaining priority register & movement register. Formats for NOC from Engineering Department and check sheet for approval of PCEE have been standardized and are in practice.

During vigilance investigation of a case, it is observed that even after a lapse of 7 years (2010 to 2017) from the deposit of advances (towards cost of materials & energy charges for three months), Electrical connection has not been extended to the shop of applicant. After thorough investigation, it is observed that delay of 4 years is attributed to the applicant himself (renovation of shop) and the shop was under encroachment/occupation of another person for considerable period.

The relevant extracts of master circular No: 2005/18/8 dtd. 10-02-05 and 08-06-05 are reiterated below:

"In exceptional case, where such licensing may have to be done with the prior approval of Board., license fees must be fixed by restoring public auction/ open tenders for getting the maximum revenue.

License of existing licensee not connected with Railway working as mentioned in Para 3(f) below may however be renewed from time to time so long as the land is not required by Railway for its own purpose but on new terms and conditions indicated in this letter.

In each case of licensing proper agreement must be executed between the Railway Administration and the licensee before the licensee is given possession of the land / plot".

Provision of temporary electrical connection to commercial shops is based on valid land license agreement. Change/Renewal of land license, Power of attorney and encroachment of commercial shops makes the situation more complicated for extending power supply.

The investigation also reveals that Railway prepares estimate for the materials used in electrical wiring and executes it inside the private commercial shop.

The agreement signed between Sr.DEE(G) and Shop owner was examined and it is observed that the terms & conditions of said agreement needs to be more elaborative for protecting Railway's interest.

In addition to all the above circulars/guidelines, following paras are suggested for simplifying the procedure.


1. Railway should refrain itself from electrical wiring inside the shop. The responsibility of electrical wiring to be bestowed to the eligible applicant /Licensee. Railway should charge only for standard set of items (Energy meter, Main switch & Service wire) towards service charges which is common for all new connection or restoration. Role of railway should be limited to inspection of safety devices, insulation level and points in electrical circuit before energizing.
2. The applicant should not be asked to deposit money towards cost of temporary electrical connection (materials, installation charge and advance towards energy charges) until signing of land license agreement and approval of structure by engineering department.
3. The temporary power supply agreement should be made as sub-set of land license agreement. It should also contain information about Service charges , Advance (if any) towards anticipated energy charges, Energy meter (Type & initial reading)

A suggested standard format of bilateral agreement prescribed in Annexure-A may be executed with the original land licensing holder is attached here with.

4. A three member committee comprising of junior scale officer from Engineering, RPF & Electrical Department to be formed. Committee will conduct joint survey annually to detect the violation of terms and conditions mentioned in the agreements (Temporary Land license & Electrical connection).

The above suggestions may simplify the procedure and reduces the liability of Railway in extending electrical connections to commercial shops on Railway land to safeguard Railway's interest. This is without prejudice to any of the extent provision on the subject.

Encl - As above.


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