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To

The Chairman and Managing Director,
TANGEDCO Ltd.,
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

Lr.No.TNEBEA/P/D.49/2011 dated 29.11.2011

Sir,

Sub: Maintenance of Sub-Stations – Compromising quality concepts – Suggestion – furnishing – Reg.

Vanakkam,

The TNEB Engineers' Association would like to bring the following to the CMD for kind consideration.

Sub- stations are the vital component for any Distribution network. They are to be maintained with utmost care. TNEB is spending crores of rupees for establishing sub-stations. There have been many incidents of outages and accidents in sub-stations.

The main reasons for those outages are mainly due to the usage of inferior quality of materials, lack of proper preventive maintenance, non-availability of appropriate quality spares. Besides these non-availability of sufficient professional staff is also considered to be the main cause.

Outages in any of the sub-station equipments viz., breakers and its accessories like relay & Current transformer, battery etc., result not only in supply interruptions but also cause financial loss along with consumer's dissatisfaction.

The Association would like to point out at this juncture that in most of the sub-stations, action has been taken to restore supply quickly on the given day with the meager availability of man power as well as the materials which will not give benefits in long run. This may lead to frequent interruptions and longer outages.

In this regard, it is pertinent to point out that most of the sub-stations are being operated with less as well as un-qualified staff against the minimum required man power. Many times this has forced individuals to attend continuous shift duties leading to fatigue which results in more outages and at times leads to inadvertent mal-operation.

If good quality of standard materials were made available with proper & sufficient amount of spares and also ensuring the availability of adequate qualified & trained personnel in the sub-stations, most of the recurring outages could be avoided which in turn will fetch more revenue and more satisfied consumers.

Therefore the Association while expresses its solidarity & to support in all aspects for the initiatives taken by the management for the betterment of the organization in the present environment, requests the CMD to provide adequate qualified & well trained sufficient personnel and quality materials for the better management of the sub-stations to avoid un-scheduled outages in the present scenario and to satisfy the consumers to the maximum possible extent.

Thanking you,

With warm regards.

Yours Sincerely,

(G.KANNAN)
General Secretary

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Dir(Operation), Secretary (TANGEDCO)