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Order

Sub:- Recovery of Compounding charges in case of theft of electricity.

In pursuance to the Rajasthan Electricity Regulatory Commission (Supply Code & Connected Matters) (Fourth Amendment) Regulation-2008, detailed guidelines to deal with the cases of misuse & theft of electricity were prescribed vide Comml AJ 300 dated 18.06.2007 and some modification was made vide Comml AJ 301 dt 20.06.2007 & Comml AJ 327 dated 01.01.2008.

Further vide Comml AJ 517 dated 19.02.2013, it was clarified that compounding & civil liability are independent of each other and both civil liability amount and compounding charges shall be charges from the consumer / person(s) whose theft is detected under the section 135 of the Electricity Act-2003 for the first time.

The Section 4 of order Comml AJ 300 "Compounding of Offence" stipulates as follow:

"The empowered officer may, on an application made by the consumer or a person who has committed or is suspected of having committed a theft of electricity, after initiating legal proceedings in special court and after its satisfaction of first compounding may accept a sum of money by compounding the offence at the rates notified by the State Government under Section 152(1) of the Electricity Act-2003".

In view of above, provision the matter was discussed and following directions are hereby issued:

1. During vigilance checking, if meter found tampered by using any external device inside the meter, such cases should be mandatory booked under both Section 135 & Section 138 of Electricity Act-2003 and FIR should be lodged in such case invariably without accepting compounding amount.
2. In the event where welding of M&P box of Distribution Transformer is found broken intentionally, case should be booked under Section 138 of Electricity Act-2003.

These directions should be followed strictly with immediate effect.

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