



# Compendium of Central Rules Framed Under Electricity Act, 2003



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## MESSAGE

The Power Sector in India has been transformed in the last few years.

In an era marked by rapid advancements, the need for comprehensive and up-to-date knowledge is paramount. This compendium "Rules framed under Electricity Act, 2003" stands as a testaments to our commitment to provide a consolidate source of information.

I am sure that everyone associated with Power Sector will find this compendium useful.

( R. K. Singh )

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### संदेश

विद्युत मंत्रालय द्वारा पूर्व में उठाए गए कई विधायी और नीतिगत कदमों द्वारा यह सुनिश्चित किया गया कि इन उपलब्धियों से विद्युत क्षेत्र में निवेश के लिए सक्षम वातावरण का निर्माण हो और उद्योग, वाणिज्य, कृषि और घरों की बढ़ती जरूरतों को पूरा करने के लिए अधिक उपभोक्ता अनुकूल दृष्टिकोण अपनाया जा सके।

मुझे यह जानकर अत्यधिक हर्ष का अनुभव हो रहा है कि "विद्युत अधिनियम 2003 के अंतर्गत नियमों का सार-संग्रह" लाया जा रहा है, जो विद्युत क्षेत्र से संबंधित नियमों का एक अद्यतन संस्करण होगा। मैं आप सभी के लिये उपयोगी और ज्ञानवर्धक पाठन की कामना करता हूँ और यह आशा करता हूँ कि इस संग्रह का भारत के विद्युत क्षेत्र पर सकारात्मक प्रभाव पड़ेगा।

मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है कि यह सार-संग्रह एक संदर्भ पुस्तक के रूप में कार्य करेगा।

(कृष्ण पाल गुर्जर)

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Energy stands at the heart of India's development aspirations. The pursuit of reliable, affordable, and clean energy is vital for India's economic growth, as is the need to establish a robust, resilient, and reliable power sector that promotes financial and environmental sustainability. The Government has initiated various measures to advance this cause and has embarked on a journey of progressive reform and transformation.

Recognizing, the urgent need to prioritize energy transition, ensure the financial sustainability of distribution business, and enhance regulatory compliance to establish businesses and processes that are ready for the future, the Ministry of Power has introduced various policy measures, rules, and schemes that have transformed the power sector in India. Similarly, for the first time, the distinct rights of Electricity Consumers have been identified, and measures have been taken to empower them, making the power sector more equitable and consumer centric. These measures will not only facilitate ease of doing business, attract new investments, but also improve the quality of life for our citizens.

I am delighted to announce that the Ministry has compiled the Rules issued under Electricity Act 2003 into a compendium, which will serve as a comprehensive reference for all stakeholders in the Power Sector.

I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Shri Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, and his dedicated team of officers for their efforts in bringing together this valuable compendium.

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The Power Sector in India is undergoing transition to meet the climate goals. Transition from fossil to non-fossil fuel sources requires increasing the share of renewable energy sources. It comes with its own challenges for which the policies, rules, regulations etc. needs to be aligned.

Accordingly, a number of policy measures have been taken. Fast paced changes planned in the Power Sector has warranted revision of certain provisions in electricity rules, to take care of the dynamic changes taking place in the power scenario.

I am happy to note that this Compendium of the "Rules framed under Electricity Act 2003" has been brought out which gives an updated and consolidated version of the Rules. I am sure that this Compendium would serve as a reference book, for the rules framed under Electricity Act 2003. I invite you to delve into the pages of this Compendium.

I wish to commend the team of EEC for their dedicated efforts and expertise to make this Compendium a reality.

  
(Ghanshyam Prasad)