

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 1st April, 2026

F. No. 1/12/CEA/DPM/Regulations/2025.—Whereas public notices advertising the draft Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2026 proposing to amend the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2006, were published in six newspaper dailies, as required by sub-section (3) of section 177 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003) read with sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the Electricity (Procedure for Previous Publication) Rules, 2005, for inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby, before the expiry of the period of thirty days, from the date on which the copies of the newspaper containing the said draft regulations was made available to the public ;

And whereas copy of the public notice as advertised in the newspapers and the said draft regulations were made available to the public on the website of the Central Electricity Authority on 23rd February, 2026;

And whereas the objections and suggestions received from the public on the said draft regulations were considered by the Central Electricity Authority;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 177 read with sub-section (1) of section 55 of the Electricity Act, 2003(36 of 2003), the Central Electricity Authority hereby makes the following regulations further to amend the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2006, namely: –

1. Short Title and Commencement. -(1) These regulations may be called the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Amendment Regulations, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Regulations, 2006 (herein after referred to as the said regulations), in sub-regulation (1) of regulation 4, for clause (b) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(b) All consumers in areas with communication network, shall be supplied electricity with Smart Meters conforming to relevant IS, within the timelines as provided by the Central Government:

Provided that all consumer connections having current carrying capacity beyond that specified in relevant IS, shall be provided with meters having automatic remote meter reading facility or Smart Meters as per relevant IS:

Provided further that in areas which are not covered with communication network, installation of prepayment meters, conforming to relevant IS, shall be allowed by the respective State Electricity Regulatory Commission.

Provided also that all the Advanced Metering Infrastructure shall include the prepayment functionality and shall be interoperable in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Authority:

Provided also that the Smart Meter conforming to relevant Indian Standard with accuracy class of 1.0/0.5S shall act as an Interface meter for the consumer permitted open access at voltage level not exceeding 650 V.”.

3. In regulation 7 of the said regulations, in sub-regulation (1), in clause (a), in Table-1 for Sl. No. 4 and the entries relating thereto, the following Sl. Nos. and entries relating thereto shall be substituted, namely: -

Sl. No.	Stages	Main Meter	Check Meter	Standby Meter
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
“4.	Consumer directly connected to the Inter- State Transmission System or Intra-State Transmission System or Distribution System who has been permitted open access at voltage level exceeding 650 V by the Appropriate Commission or any other system not covered above	At consumer premises		At consumer premises on separate Instrument Transformer or at Licensee’s substation as mutually agreed.

5.	Consumer permitted open access at voltage level not exceeding 650 V	At consumer premises	At consumer premises	-----”.
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RAKESH KUMAR, Secy.

[ADVT.-III/4/Exty./02/2026-27]

Note: The principal regulations were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 4, *vide* notification No. 502/70/CEA/DP&D, dated the 22nd March, 2006 and last amended *vide* notification No. CEA-GO-13-15(12)/1/2022-DPR Division, dated the 28th February, 2022.



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नई दिल्ली, 10 अप्रैल, 2026

फा. सं. 1/12/केविप्रा/डीपीएम/विनियमन/2025.— केन्द्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण, विद्युत अधिनियम, 2003 की धारा 177 की उप धारा (2) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, केन्द्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण (मीटरों की अधिष्ठापन और प्रचालन) संशोधन विनियम, 2026 के प्रकाशन हेतु, अधिसूचना संख्या फा. सं. 1/12/केविप्रा/डीपीएम/विनियमन/2025 जो भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग-III, खण्ड-4 में दिनांक अप्रैल 1, 2026 को प्रकाशित की गयी थी, में निम्नलिखित संशोधन करता है. अर्थात्:-

- (क) पृष्ठ 2, पैराग्राफ 2, लाइन 13 पर, वाक्यांश “से अधिक” के स्थान पर वाक्यांश “या उससे कम” को प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (ख) पृष्ठ 2, सारणी, क्रमांक 5 में, वाक्य “650 वोल्ट से अधिक वोल्टेज स्तर वाले उपभोक्ता को ओपन एक्सेस की अनुमति नहीं है।” के स्थान पर वाक्य “650 वोल्ट या उससे कम वोल्टेज स्तर वाले उपभोक्ता जिनको ओपन एक्सेस की अनुमति है।” को प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।

राकेश कुमार, सचिव

[विज्ञापन-III/4/असा./29/2026-27]

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY**CORRIGENDUM**

New Delhi, the 10th April, 2026

F. No. 1/12/CEA/DPM/Regulations/2025.— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 177 of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Central Electricity Authority hereby makes the following corrections in the notification of the Central Electricity Authority number F No.1/12/CEA/DPM/Regulations/2025, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 4 on 1st April, 2026, publishing the Central Electricity Authority (Installation and Operation of Meters) Amendment Regulations, 2026, namely:—

- (a) At page 3, paragraph 3, line 1, the word “pentries” shall be substituted with the word “entries”.

RAKESH KUMAR, Secy.

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