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TIME IS IMPORTANT BUT **SAFETY** IS MORE IMPORTANT

PERFORMED IN AN UNSAFE MANNER.

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## **ELECTRICITY SAFETY RULES**

#### DO'S

- 1. DO obey safety instructions given by the person in-charge.
- 2. DO insulate yourself from earth by standing on rubber mat while attempting to get the person who is in contact with live line or apparatus.
- 3. DO remove the casuality from the cause, render first aid and send for doctor or take the casuality to the nearest hospital.
- 4. DO break the circuit by opening the power switch and release the victim.
- 5. DO preach and practice safety at all times.
- 6. DO eliminate all short cuts while on duty.
- 7. DO use correct size and quality of fuse wire while renewing the blown out fuse.
- 8. DO turn your face away whenever an arc or flash occur.
- 9. DO ensure controlling switches are opened & locked or fuse holders are withdrawn before working on lines.
- 10. DO disconnect the supply immediately in case of fire on or near electrical apparatus.
- 11. DO keep away inflammables from electrical apparatus.
- 12. DO report all accidents whether minor or major, fatal or non-fatal, departmental or non departmental immediately to the person in-charge.

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#### **ELECTRICITY SAFETY RULES**

#### DONT'S

- 1. DO NOT renew a blown fuse until you are satisfied as to the cause and you have rectified the irregularity.
- 2. DO NOT disconnect a plug by pulling flexible cable when the switch is on.
- 3. DO NOT use wire with poor insulation.
- 4. DO NOT close any Switch/Gos/Breaker unless you are familiar with the circuit which it controls and know the reason for its being kept open.
- 5. DO NOT work on energised circuits without taking extra precautions, such as use of rubber gloves and gauntlets.
- 6. DO NOT touch or tamper with any electrical equipment or conductor, unless you have made sure that it is DEAD AND EARTHED
- 7. DO NOT work on the live circuit without the specific orders of the supervisor and make certain that all safety precautions have been taken.
- DO NOT disconnect earthing connection or render ineffective the safety gadgets installed on mains and apparatus.
- 9. DO NOT open or close switch or fuse slowly or hesitatingly.
- DO NOT touch an electric circuit when your hands are wet, or bleeding from a cut or an abrasion,
- DO NOT use fire extinguisher on electrical equipment unless it is clearly marked for that purpose.
- 12. DO NOT throw water on live electrical equipment in case of fire.
- 13. DO NOT attempt to disengage a person in contact with a live apparatus which you cannot switch-off immediately.
- 14. DO NOT touch his body, push him with a piece of dry wood.

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- 15. DO NOT discontinue artificial respiration until recovery or death is confirmed by the Doctor.
- 16. DO NOT allow visitors and unauthorised persons to touch or handle electrical apparatus or come within the danger zone of H.V. apparatus.
- 17. DO NOT test circuit with bare fingers.
- 18. DO NOT trust luck, but trust safety.
- 19. DO NOT joke, joke begins in fun, and ends in death.
- 20. DO NOT shorten your life, life is short and precious.

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# STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR SAFETY PRACTICES IN DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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#### CHAPTER I

#### 1.0 TERMINOLOGY

The terms used in this manual shall be interpreted in the most commonly accepted sense consistent with the\_electrical industry.

- a) Authorised person: One who is properly authorised to perform specific duties under certain conditions or who is carrying out order from competent authority and as defined under rule 3 of I.E. Rules of 1956.
- b) Unauthorised person: One who is not permitted to work on electrical apparatus except under the personal supervision of an authorised person.
- c) Dead: 'Dead' means at or about earth potential and disconnected from any live system. Provided that the apparatus separated from a live conductor by a spark gap shall not be deemed to be 'Dead'

**Note**: The term 'Dead' is used only with reference to current carrying parts, when these parts are not alive.

- d) I) Earth: 'Earth' means a conducting mass of earth or of any conductor in direct electrical connection therewith.
  - Earthed: 'Earthed' means connected to earth in such a manner as it will ensure immediate discharge of electrical energy without danger at all times.
- e) Emergency: 'Emergency' for the purpose of this code means an unusual condition which exists that endangers life and / or property.
- f) Foreman: 'Foreman or supervisor' shall mean Assistant Engineer / Junior Engineer / the authorised employee directly in charge of workmen doing the work regardless of title.
  - a) Live: 'Live' means electrically charged.
  - b) Permit issuing Officer: 'Permit issuing Officer' is a person who is authorised for ensuring that all controlling switches and circuits have been isolated, made dead and inoperative and that adjacent circuits have been made safe for the work to be carried out and who is authorised to issue the 'Permit to work'.

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- g) Permit to work: 'Permit to work' means a form of declaration signed by and given by one authorised person to another authorised person in-charge of work to be carried out on or adjacent to any electrical apparatus, mains or service lines, for the purpose of making known to such latter person exactly what apparatus, mains or service lines are made dead and earthed and safe for working.
- h) Protective Devices: 'Protective Devices' means devices such as rubber gloves, rubber gauntlets, line hose, rubber boots or other insulating devices, which are especially designed for the protection of workmen.
- i) Low Voltage: Where the normal voltage is not greater than 250 Volts and in no circumstances exceeds 263 Volts.
  - (ii) Medium Voltage: Where the normal voltage exceeds 250 Volts but is not greater than 650 Volts and in no circumstances exceeds 683 Volts.
  - (iii) **High Voltage:** Where the normal voltage exceeds 650 Volts but is not greater than 33,000 Volts and in no circumstances exceeds 37,125 Volts.
  - (iv) Extra High Voltage: Where the voltage exceeds 33,000 Volts under normal conditions subject to 12.5% variation.

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## CHAPTER II

# 2.0 FUNDAMENTALS OF SAFETY AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFETY

#### SAFETY

2.0 Safety is the proper planning of work, Proper usage of safety tools, exercise of good judgment and intelligent supervision. Experience proves that majority of the accidents are preventable.

#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF SAFETY**

- 2.1(a) Prevention of accidents requires the whole hearted co-operation of all employees of the organisation. A capable mentally alert employee will avoid accidents.
  - (b) A careless man is a liability to the Organisation. He is dangerous to himself, his fellow workers, the public and the Organisation.
  - (c) Accidents do not just Happen. Accidents are the result of unsafe acts or unsafe conditions or a combination of both.

'Unsafe Acts': Which may cause accidents, include the following:

- 1. Opening & Closing of switches without authority or warning, operating hoists and trucks without warning, failure to place warning signs or signals where needed.
- 2. Working unsafely such as throwing materials or tools, at another worker, jumping from vehicles and platforms, or unnecessary haste.
- 3. Making safety devices inoperative.
- 4. Using unsafe equipment, wrong tools for the job, or using hands instead of hand tools.
- 5. Working on live electrical equipment that could conveniently be de-energised.
- Taking unsafe position or posture too close to openings & lifting while in awkward position. (riding on running boards or other unsafe places of vehicles).

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- 7. Distracting, Teasing, practical joking, horse play, quarreling or annoying.
- 8. Failure to use safe clothing or protective equipment such as failure to use rubber gloves, helmet on energised equipment.

Unsafe conditions: Which may result in accidents, include the following:

- 1. Unguarded floor openings and excavations, exposed live circuits.
- 2. Improper illumination such as insufficient light or unsuitable location producing glare or objectionable shadows.
- 3. Unsafe design and construction, such as poor scaffolding and structure, structures like platforms should have large safety factors, and their construction and design in general should incorporate safety features.

All anticipated hazards should be pointed out to workers.

### 2.2 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFETY

#### 2.2.1 Responsibility of Individuals:

- ▲ Definite responsibility of individuals is to act so as to provide
  - 1. Safety to himself.
  - 2. Safety to his fellow employees.
  - 3. Protection to the Public.
  - 4. Protection to the Organisation property:

Every employee is expected to study the Safety Manual, familiarise himself with its contents and apply them to work. Ignorance of Rules and Regulations will result in accidents to himself and his co-workers.

- ▲ Whenever in doubt regarding any rules and regulations, he should consult his Foreman or Supervisor.
- ▲ Before attempting any work under conditions that he considers to be unsafe, he is required to bring them to the attention of the person-in-charge of the work and seek his advice.
- It will be the duty of every employee to report promptly to his foreman or Supervisors any dangerous or improper condition of equipment he notices.

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#### 2.2.2 Personal Conduct:

▲ Use of intoxicating liquor while on job is strictly prohibited. No employee shall report for work while he is under the influence of liquor and no foreman or supervisor shall knowingly permit a man to go to work while he is under the influence of liquor.

Practical joking and horse play while on the job is strictly prohibited.

- No employee shall distract the attention of another worker from his job unless he thinks that the worker is doing something which is dangerous, to his person, other workman or to the equipment.
- Any employee who endangers his own or other's safety by violating the foregoing requirements of personal conduct shall render himself liable to disciplinary action.

#### 2.2.3 Always Be Careful (A B C):

- ▲ The workman should place himself in a safe position while working to avoid falling, stumbling, or moving backwards against live parts.
- ▲ The workman should satisfy himself regarding the safe working conditions before starting the work. The care exercised by others should be checked.
- **2.2.4 House keeping:** Workmen are frequently injured by tripping, stumbling, stepping on or bumping into tools, material and other objects left lying around or by carelessly placed objects falling from above.

To ensure good house-keeping following precautions should be observed:

- ▲ Walks, aisles, stairways, fire escapes and all other passage ways shall be kept clear of all obstructions.
- ▲ Tools and materials should not be placed where they may cause tripping or stumbling hazards or where they may fall and strike any one below.
- ▲ Puddles of oil and water create a slipping hazard and should be cleaned up promptly.
- ▲ Nails in boards, such as those removed from scaffolds, forms and packing boxes, constitute a hazard and should be removed. The boards should be carefully stacked or stored.

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- ▲ Dirty and oily waste rags should be disposed off as soon as practicable to avoid fire hazard.
- ▲ Broken light bulbs, glass, metal scrap and other sharp objects should be dumped in places provided specially for them.
- ▲ Discarded fluorescent and other gas filled tubes shall be disposed off safely:
- 2.2.5 Failure to comply with safety precautions is an offense and is punishable.

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# CHAPTER III 3.0 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

### FOREMAN /SUPERVISOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 Foreman /Supervisor have the definite responsibility of ensuring the following:
  - (a) Safe working condition.
  - (b) Necessary equipment and its use.
  - (c) Properly maintained tools and equipment.
  - (d) Properly planned work performed in a safe manner.
  - (e) Application of the general and special safety instructions by their workmen.
  - (f) Assignment of employees to jobs which they are capable of doing safely.
  - (g) Immediate steps to correct any violation of safety rules observed or reported to them.
  - (h) Foreman/Supervisor will be held responsible for seeing that work under them is done in a safe manner.
  - (i) Each Foreman/Supervisor shall make certain that his men understand the following:
    - 1. Work to be done.
    - 2. Hazards that may be encountered.
    - 3. Proper procedure for doing the work safely.
  - (j) Frequent periodic inspections of construction, operation and maintenance equipment, work areas, conditions and methods should be made by Foreman/Supervisor as a part of their routine duty. Such inspections are essential to prevent fires and accidents.

#### EMPLOYEE'S RESPONSIBILITY

3.2 This is fully covered under the clause No. 2.2 relating to General Instructions for safety.

#### **EMPLOYER'S RESPONSIBILITY**

3.3 The Employer have a definite responsibility of providing proper safety tools and equipments and proper on the job training.

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#### CHAPTER IV

### 4.0 ACCIDENTS

#### **DEFINITION**

4.1 An accident may be defined as a sudden mishap that interrupts the operation of an activity.

#### **CLASSIFICATIONS**

- 4.2 [a] Electrical: Resulting generally from any of the following causes
  - (i) Any person or animal coming in accidental contact with snapped overhead conductor.
  - (ii) Any person or animal coming in contact with a metallic line support, stay wire, unauthorised energisation of fencing, frame of electrical apparatus, etc., through which there is leakage of current due to failure of insulation, damaged insulators, etc.,
  - (iii) Coming in contact with live overhead conductors during renewal of blown out fuses, replacing street lamps, cutting across live underground cable or touching live overhead conductors with metallic rods, etc.,
  - (iv) Climbing up poles or towers and coming in contact with live overhead electrical conductors, maliciously, out of ignorance or with the deliberate intention of committing suicide.
  - [b] **Mechanical**: Mechanical injury resulting from an electrical shock, such as person being thrown off line support due to electrical shock sustained.
  - [c] Non-electrical: Non Electrical injury due to reasons such as fall from a pole, structure, tower or roof trusses, etc., hurt caused while handling heavy machinery, while driving vehicles, etc.,
  - [d] Miscellaneous: Other causes such as fires, drowning, explosions, etc.,

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#### CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

- 4.3. [a] Those over which we have limited control, like floods, land slides, earthquakes, fires, lightning and other acts of nature.
  - [b] Those due to improper or defective equipment and failure to provide adequate protective devices.
  - [c] The human elements or 'Human Factor" is by far the greatest cause of serious accidents.

Statistics prove that more than ninety percent of Industrial accidents are not due to defective equipment but due to failure on the part of workman and those in authority to observe safety rules and adopt safety devices for accident prevention.

- 4.4 "Failure under Human factor" can be more clearly divided into the following classification:
  - [a] Failure on the part of workmen to observe safety rules made for their protection.
  - [b] Failure on the part of Foremen or others having responsibility over workmen to properly instruct those under their supervision as to their duties and insistence upon workmen to observe safety rules.

#### ACCIDENT REPORTS, RECORDS AND INVESTIGATIONS.

- 4.5 [a] Accident records are essential aids to the prevention of accidents. They show the type of accidents most frequently encountered, where they occur and their relative severity. A study of these records will emphasise common hazards and permits a better understanding of the causes of accidents and most effective methods of preventing them.
  - [b] All accidents, which result in injury or not, shall promptly be reported to the Foreman or Supervisor. Many injury free accidents which are not reported recur with serious consequences.
  - [c] Every Accident should be investigated to determine the cause and what steps are needed to prevent recurrence. It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of the job to get a complete detailed cause of the accident as soon as possible after its occurrence.

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#### REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS

- 4.6 (a) Non-Electrical Accidents: Foreman or Supervisor in charge of work should furnish immediate information to proper authorities on the occasion of every serious accident and in the case of death on the spot, they should not allow the body to be removed till an enquiry has been held. Fatal accidents to departmental workmen should be reported promptly by the Assistant Executive Engineer / Executive Engineer to the Chief Engineer Electy.(Gl.), and a copy of the report should be sent to the Superintending Engineer and the Zonal chief Engineer in duplicate. Information should also be immediately furnished to the District Superintendent of Police and concerned Inspector or Sub-Inspector of Police.
  - Non-Fatal accidents should also be reported to the Superintending Engineer, the Zonal Chief Engineer, Chief Engineer Electricity (gen), duly indicating the circumstances leading to the accident.
  - (b) Electrical Accidents: Under section 33 of the Indian Electricity (Amendment) Act, 1992, all electrical accidents and including mechanical injury caused due to electrical shock should be reported by the concerned within 24 hours to the Electrical Inspector and that in the case of death, the notice should be sent by telegram or telephone confirmed on the same day in writing. The telephone message should be in the standard form as under Appendix I. The telephone message should also be conveyed to the Superintending Engineer and the Chief Engineer of the zone and the Chief Engineer Electy (Gl.), also on the same day. A detailed report shall be submitted to the Chief Electrical Inspector as in Appendix II within 48 hours. Information should be furnished to the District Superintendent of Police and concerned Inspector or Sub-Inspector of Police.
- Note: (1) Correspondence regarding compensation payable and wages due will be dealt at Corporate Office of K.P.T.C.L.
  - (2) Failure to comply with the above instructions regarding accidents, electrical or non-electrical, fatal and non-fatal is an offense punishable under the Indian Electricity Act of 1910 and Workmen's compensation Act and the Act makes no distinction between the Corporation and a Private Employer

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#### CHAPTER V

## FIRST AID

# 5.0 TREATMENT FOR ELECTRIC SHOCK, ASPHYXIATION (SUFFOCATION) AND DROWNING

- 5.1 (a) In most of the cases of electric shock and collapse, it is the lungs and the diaphragm (the thin sheet of muscles which lies below the lungs) that have stopped working and there is a very good chance of revival by applying artificial respiration quickly.
  - [b] In case of severe shock, respiration is seldom established under one hour while three to four hours or more might be found necessary to restore normal breathing. It is therefore, essential that in all cases of electric shock where the condition of the patient is doubtful or the patient is unconscious or not breathing, artificial resuscitation should be continued until the patient breaths normally or until the doctor has pronounced life extinct.

#### RESUSCITATION DRILL

5.2 Every employee shall qualify himself by practical study and drill in the treatment for Electrical shock according to the instructions contained in this Chapter, and those given in the Resuscitation Cards hung up at all the Receiving Station, Sub-stations, Switching Stations, etc., of the Corporation.

#### REMOVAL FROM CONTACT

- 5.3 (a) If the person is still in contact with the apparatus that has given the shock, switch off the electric circuit at once, if there is switch, fuse or circuit breaker close at hand if not, lose no time from proceeding to remove the body from contact with the live conductor.
  - (b) Do not touch the victim's body with bare hands, but if rubber gloves are not at hand, pull him off the live conductor by his coat, shirt, etc., if they are not wet or fold your coat, or some dry article such as a newspaper into three or more folders/ thickness, and using this as a pad, take hold of the body and pull it away from the circuit. An operating rod or a broom handle may be used to raise the body or to detach the wires from it. A good

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plan is to stand on a dry board or stool or on a few layers of thick newspaper or bundle of dry sacking and remove the victim away from the live apparatus.

#### PRELIMINARY STEPS

5.4 Extinguish any sparks if the patient's cloths are smouldering. Ascertain if he is breathing, and send for a doctor at once. If apparently not breathing, proceed as detailed hereunder:

#### IMMEDIATE ACTION TO RECOVER THE PATIENT

- 5.5 [a] When a man has received a sever electric shock or been subjected to poisonous gases, or has been removed from the water in a drowning condition, his breathing has usually stopped. In accidents of this kind, speed may save the injured man's life, hence do not waste a second.

  Send for a doctor at once but do not neglect the patient in doing so.
  - [b] The first thing to do is, to get the injured man to a suitable place where you can work on him. This may necessitate lowering from a pole, or raising him from a man-hole. This work usually involves considerable danger to the rescuer, because a man-hole maybe full of poisonous gases, or the injured man may be in contact with the dangerous circuit on the pole. You must, therefore, work very carefully.
  - [c] Avoid so placing the patient as to bring pressure on the burns he has sustained, if any. Do not expose the patient to cold. Stimulants should not be administered unless recommended by a Doctor. Cold water may be given in small quantities in cases of electric fire or asphyxiation cases and smelling salts may also be administered in moderation.
  - [d] Continue artificial respiration without interruption (if necessary for four hours) until breathing is restored. Cases are on record of success after 3 + hours or more of effort. Ordinary tests for death are inconclusive in cases of electric shocks and Doctors' pointed attention must be drawn to this necessary
  - [e] Resuscitation should be carried on at the nearest possible place where the patient received his injuries. He should not be removed from this place until he is found breathing, normally and then also moved only in lying

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position. Should it be necessary due to extreme weather conditions, etc., to move the patient before he is breathing normally, he should be kept in a prone position, and placed on a hard surface (door or shutter) or on the floor of a conveyance, resuscitation being carried on during the time that he is being moved.

[f] A brief return of spontaneous respiration is not a certain indication for terminating the treatment. Not infrequently, the patient, after a temporary recover of respiration, stops breathing again. The patient must be watched, and if normal breathing stops, artificial respiration should be resumed at once.

#### UPON RECOVERY

When the patient revives, he should be kept lying down and not allowed to get up or be raised under any circumstances unless on the advice of a Doctor. If the Doctor has not arrived by the time the patient has revived, he should be given some stimulant, or a drink of hot ginger, tea or coffee. The patient should then have any other injuries attended to and be kept warm, being placed in the most comfortable position.

## 1) FIRST CARE OF BURNS

- 5.7 [a] Burns, if serious, should be treated with a proper dressing.
  - (b) A raw or blistered surface should be protected from the air. If clothing sticks, do not peal if off but cut around it. The adherent cloth, or a dressing of cotton or other soft material applied to burnt surface should be saturated with picric acid (0.5%). If this is not at hand, use a solution of baking soda (one teaspoonful to a pint of water), or the wound may be coated with a paste of flour and water, or it may be protected with Vaseline, carron oil, olive oil, castor oil or machine oil, if clean. Cover the dressing with cotton gauze, linen, clean waste, handkerchief, or other soft cloth, held tightly in place by bandage. The same coverings should be tightly bandaged over a dry, charred burn, but without wetting the burnt region or by applying oil to it. Do not open blisters.

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#### FIRST AID IN CASE OF ELECTRIC SHOCK

#### **5.8 DIRECT ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION**

Direct Artificial Respiration is the method whereby a person ventilates the lungs of an unconscious non-breathing victim by blowing his own breath directly into the mouth or nose of the victim.

Expired air is not dead air. It has been proved more than adequate for artificial respiration. The atmosphere contains 21% oxygen while expired air contains 14-18 % oxygen.

Direct mouth-to-mouth breathing is by far the most effective method of artificial respiration, as proven by comparative studies conducted by research groups in the United States.

"These studies have indicated the unequivocal superiority of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation over all manual methods in all age groups. Mouth-to-mouth breathing is the only technique which assures adequate ventilation in all cases. With the manual push-pull methods and manual rocking, complete obstruction of the airway occurred in a significant number of subject; partial airway obstruction was noted in all of the other cases"

Direct Artificial Respiration is approved as a standard for resuscitation by the National Academy of Sciences (U.S) the National Research Council (U.S) and the American Medical Association, and has been adopted by the American National Red Cross and U.S. Army.

It has been clearly established that direct artificial respiration is superior to indirect artificial respiration (manual methods), in all age groups and in all situations.

Indirect manual methods of artificial respiration cannot be applied in many situations when emergency resuscitation is urgently required.

For example, in case of sever, chest and spinal injuries, indirect manual methods cannot be used. Further more, a victim may be partly buried in a cave-in, trapped behind a steering wheel, or located in cramped quarters as would be the case in small craft, aeroplanes and other places.

In all these instances, the patient's survival will depend on direct artificial respiration.

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## Direct Artificial Respiration (mouth-to-mouth method):

- (a) Place the victim on back immediately.
- (b) Clear throat of water, mucus, toys, coins or food.
- (c) Tilt head back as far as possible.
- (d) Lift jaw up to keep tongue out of air passage.
- (e) Pinch nostrils to prevent air leakage when you blow.
- (f) Blow until you see the chest rise.
- (g) Listen for snoring and gurgling signs of throat obstruction.
- (h) Repeat blowing 10-20 times a minute.

In case of infants and small children tilt the head fully back, surround the mouth and nose completely with your mouth. Blow with only enough force to produce a visible rise in the victim's chest and no more. Repeat every 3 seconds. (Also see 5.11 (C))

Continue direct artificial respiration until victim breathes for himself, or until expert help is obtained.

The method is fully describe nereunder :-

- Step (1) Lay the victim flat on his/her back and place a roll of clothing under the shoulders to ensure that his head is thrown well back. Tilt the victim's head back so that the chin points straight upward.
- Step (2) Grasp the victim's jaw as in the Figure 1A, and raise it upward until the lower teeth are higher than the upper teeth; or place finger on both sides of



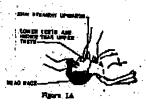
the jaw, near the ear lobes, and pull upward. Maintain jaw position throughout artificial respiration to prevent the tongue from blocking the air passage.

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- Step (3) Take a deep breath and place your mouth over the victims mouth as in Figure 1B. Making airtight contact. Pinch the victim's nose shut with thumb and forefinger. If you dislike direct contact. Place a porous cloth between you and the victim's mouth. For an infant, place your mouth over its mouth and nose.
- Step (4) Blow into the victim's mouth(gently in the case of an infant)until his chest rises. Remove your mouth, & release the hold on his nose, to let him exhale, turning your head to hear the out-rush of air. The first eight to ten breaths should be as rapid as the victim responds. Thereafter the rate should be slowed to about 12 times a minute(20 times for an infant).



- Note: (a) if air cannot be blown in, check the position of the victim's head and jaw and re-check the mouth for obstructions, then try again more forcefully. If the chest still not rise, turn the victim's face down and strike his back sharply to dislodge obstructions.
  - (b) Sometimes air enters the victim's stomach, as evidenced by a swelling stomach. Expel air by gently pressing the stomach during the exhalation period.

In any case where external cardiac compression and artificial respiration are being administered Pressure-Cycling mechanical resuscitators shall not be used in lieu of mouth-to-mouth or other approval artificial respiration, because they may not be effective in adequately ventilating the lungs with air(oxygen).

Medical research has shown that properly administered mouth to mouth resuscitation is at least as effective as mechanical resuscitator; also, MMR can be preformed effectively without the use of airways of any kind. The time delay in waiting for a mechanical resuscitator or an airway to be made available and place in operation could materially reduced or preclude the victim's chance of recovery.

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#### 5.9 TREATMENT FOR ELECTRIC BURN

If, as a result of electric shock the patient is suffering from burns, the following treatment should be given without hindrance to artificial respiration:

- (a) Remove clothing locally to enable the burn to be treated but do not break blisters.
- (b) Saturate burns with warm solution of one dessert spoonful of bicarbonate of soda to a pint of warm water, or a teaspoonful of salt to a pint of warm water.
- (c) Cover with lint soaked in a similar solution and bandage (lightly if blisters have formed)
- (d) If the above solutions are not available, cover with a sterile dressing.
- (e) Warm, weak sweet tea may be given when the patient is able to swallow.

#### 5.10 CARE FOR THE UNCONCIOUS

Oxygen is the element most vital for survival. Permanent brain damage or death may result within a few minutes from lack of air or Oxygen. Therefore a victim's breathing requirements must receive your first attention.

- The case of unconsciousness may be obvious, as in the case of drowning, electric shock, smoke or gas inhalation, strangulation severe injuries, etc.,
- ▲ The cause of unconsciousness may be obscure, as in the case of poisoning, overdose of drugs, alcoholism, heart disease, brain disease, diabetes uremia, epilepsy, etc.
- An unconscious person may be breathing or not breathing.

In either case an open air passage to the lungs must be maintained. The human tongue is as large as a quarter pound beefsteak. The muscles of the tongue relax with loss of consciousness. In certain positions the tongue may fall back, obstructing the throat and cutting off the air passage.

#### (a) . The unconscious person who is breathing:

Many accidents victims, especially those sustaining head injuries (common in home and traffic accidents), suffer temporary shock and loss of consciousness. This may lead to death by suffocation.

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Accidental death may be avoided in such cases by first taking a simple precaution:

- ▲ Place the victim on his side or abdomen with his head turned to one side, and tilted back.
- ▲ In this position there is less danger of obstruction by the tongue or aspiration of vomitus into the lungs.

## (b) The unconscious person who is not breathing:

In such cases the unconscious victim requires immediate artificial respiration.

- ▲ Direct artificial respiration is the most positive and efficient means of ventilating his lungs.
- The indirect or manual chest compression methods of artificial respiration (Holger-Neilsen, Schafer, etc.,) depend on negative pressure, and are unsatisfactory unless provision has been made to establish and maintain an open air passage to the lungs.

## [c] The Unconscious person whose breathing is very slow or shallow:

The victim may be assisted by direct artificial respiration, timing the air inflation's with the patient's breathing efforts.

#### 5.11 SPECIAL CARE SITUATIONS

#### [a] Drawings:

- ▲ Direct artificial respiration must be started as soon as the victim's head can be kept above the water.
- ▲ Do not waste valuable time waiting to bring the victim ashore or by attempting to drain the stomach or throat before hand. This may be done after artificial respiration has been started.
- If the stomach is distended, lower and turn the victim's head to the side and then apply moderate pressure with the palm of the hand over the distended stomach. Any air or water in the stomach will be then believed up.

#### [b] Inhalation of foreign bodies:

▲ If the victim is a child, turn him over your knees in the "spanking position", with his head lower than his hips, slap him between shoulder blades in an

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attempt to dislodge the foreign body by causing him to cough it out. If the object is not dislodged and the child is in distress, quickly clean the throat with the fingers and begin direct artificial respiration.

#### [c] Infant and child victims:

The technique of direct artificial respiration is essentially the same in cases involving children and adult. However, in the case of infants and children:

- (i) Only a small volume of air is required to inflate the lungs. Over-inflation may produce damage. Short puffs of air are all that are required, sufficient to produce a noticeable rise in the infant's chest with each inflation.
- (ii) The inflation rate should be at least every 3 seconds, twenty times per minute.
- (iii) An over-distended stomach in infants interferes with ventilation as well as normal heart action. This may be reduced by applying pressure over the infant's abdomen, care being taken to avoid aspiration of the fluid brought up in this manner by turning the head to one side.

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#### CHAPTER VI

#### 6.0 PERMIT TO WORK SYSTEM

#### WORK ON LIVE APPARATUS AND MAINS

- 6.1 (a) No employee shall carry out or attempt any work on live apparatus and mains except under authorisation from the Asst. Executive Engineer, Asst. Engineer, Junior Engineer, who is on duty in a Power Station / Sub-Station or in charge of the overhead or under ground distribution taken on a 'Permit-to-work' form vide Appendix III and under the direct supervision of an authorised person, termed 'Supervisor'.
  - [b] Where, in the interest of continuity of supply, it is necessary, after taking due precautions, to work on live electrical equipment for cleaning and repair work, particularly in receiving Stations and Sub-stations, such work shall be carried out only under the personal supervision of an officer.

#### APPLICATION FOR PRE-ARRANGED SHUT DOWN

6.2 Except for emergencies, all work for repairs, maintenance and construction on or in close proximity to live apparatus and mains shall be pre-arranged and programmed. Accordingly, applications for pre-arranged shut-downs shall be submitted by the Supervisor to the Officer in charge, in the prescribed form, vide Appendix IV which when duly approved, will be presented to the concerned Permit Issuing Officer for switching out the apparatus and issue of 'Permit-to-work'. These applications shall be made sufficiently in advance to enable the Permit Issuing Officer to carry out necessary load transfers, if any, and other operations in connection with the work. The duration and nature of work must be clearly explained to the Permit Issuing Officer before getting a permit.

#### **AUTHORISATION**

6.3 (a) An Authorised person shall be:

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- (1) A permit Issuing Officer not below the rank of a Supervisor.
- (2) A competent employee authorised in writing by a responsible Officer not below the rank of an Executive Engineer/Assistant Executive Engineer, to carry out specific duties incidental to the position held by him.
- [b] No person shall be deemed to be authorised unless the same has been entered in the list maintained at the Office of the authorising Officer and the entry has been attested by the person so authorised.
- [c] A list of authorised persons shall be maintained at the Office of the respective Executive Engineers (Elect.) and at each center of activity by the respective Assistant Executive Engineers (Elect). The list shall clearly define the extent of all such authorisation. Such list shall be furnished to the respective Deputy Electrical Inspector.
- [d] Duties to be performed only by an Authorised person are:-
  - (1) Issue and receipt of permits for working on transmission lines, distribution lines, service lines, underground cable, and all equipment installed in the Generating Stations, Receiving Stations, Sub-stations, Distribution system, etc.
  - (2) Discharging permits issued under (1) above.
  - (3) Operating air break switches when alive.
  - (4) Renewal of fuses on H.T. sides of transformers.
  - (5) Work on live equipments, or live lines, where the voltage to earth does not exceed 250 volts AC or DC like renewal of street bulb, renewal of aerial fuse, cut-outs, fuses and consumer fuses, renewal of L.T. fuses of transformer and L.T. feeders.
  - (6) Testing consumer's installations and effecting service of L.V. installations.
  - (7) Repairing or connecting L.T. equipment such as meters, time switches, etc.
  - (8) Possession of keys of switches, / kiosks / RMUs / Isolators and equipments.

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(9) Inspection, testing and maintenance work.

#### ISSUE OF PERMIT TO WORK

- 6.4 [a] Before any work or testing is carried out on live mains and apparatus connected to distribution system, a 'Permit-to-Work' in the prescribed form covering the apparatus and mains to be worked on or tested must be issued, except in extenuating circumstances such as for the purpose of saving life or plant in the event of any emergency. In such cases, the action taken be reported to the concerned Power Station or the Executive Engineer without the least delay.
  - [b] The staff authorising the work shall issue to the Supervisor necessary authorisation in the prescribed form and this will only become valid after the Permit Issuing Officer, who is responsible for the power supply to the Distribution system, has signed on the form and returned it to the Supervisor.
  - [c] The issue of the 'Permit-to-work' form by the Permit Issuing Officer to the authorised person, gives the line clear and authority for the Supervisor to proceed with the work. The Supervisors shall keep in his possession the 'Permit-to-work' form throughout the duration of the work.
  - [d] If, for any reasons, the prearranged shutdown work cannot be completed within the period applied for, intimation will be given to the permit issuing Officer and duration of permit, extended suitably on the permit Form.
  - [e] In the case of work on consumer's installations, the consumers should be advised of such extensions, sufficiently in advance to avoid inconvenience.
  - [f] When written permits cannot be given, line clear should be given and taken over the Phone. In such cases substances thereof shall be repeated by the person who receives the line clear message and shall be confirmed by the sender to ensure that both parties are quite clear as to its purpose. Such instructions shall be recorded only in the line clear permit books at both sending and receiving ends. The issue of line clear over phone should be confirmed by some other Board Employee to the Supervisor over phone and the name of the person who confirms issue of line clear/permit to work should be recorded in the line clear permit Book.

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[g] Duplicate copies of the line clear should be sent by post as soon as possible for record at either end after duly canceling the same.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO PERMIT ISSUING OFFICERS

- 6.5 (1) The permit Issuing Officer shall not issue the permit before:-
  - (a) The switch/circuit breakers/Isolators or switches have been opened and are completely isolated on both sides; links and fuses opened, apparatus and mains discharged and earthed, and all adjacent live parts adequately protected. Where possible the switches/Isolators shall be locked out and keys kept in safe custody. Isolators/switch at control panels shall also be fixed with "HOLD", "LINE CLEAR ISSUED"-boards.
  - (b) 'HOLD BOARDS' and 'MEN ON LINE' boards should be attached to apparatus.
  - (c) An entry is made in the log sheet or Register to the effect that the apparatus and mains under the permit have been made dead, on no account shall the apparatus and mains again be made alive until the return by the Supervisor of the 'Permit-to-Work'.
  - (d) Where Sub-permits are issued by the Supervisors to competent persons working in different sections, such Sub-permits should only be accepted for cancellation by the Supervisor and under no circumstances should the Permit Issuing Officer of the original permit, accept Sub-permit for cancellation.
- 6.5 (2) The Permit Issuing Officer shall, take necessary steps in the circumstances, to ensure that in the event of any tripping of automatic switch/circuit breaker, when the section is switched in such switch/circuit breaker shall not be re-closed until the section/apparatus is thoroughly checked.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPERVISORS

- 6.6 (a) No employee shall be ordered or permitted to carry out any work, other than that for which he is specially, authorised in writing by the Executive Engineer Ele., Assistant Executive Engineer Ele./ Section Officer.
  - (b) The authorised person termed the Supervisor in charge of a working party

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(employees) shall keep with him a complete list of all persons who are detailed to work on the particular job. All other persons shall be warned to keep away from the area and no one shall be allowed to enter the area unless under a permit. This list shall be kept on record for any further reference.

- (c) The Supervisor, before allowing any Workmen to commence work on the lines, mains or apparatus shall:
  - (1) Explain to the workmen the nature of work and the precautions taken by the Permit Issuing Officer, to ensure the safety of the workmen and also the precautions to be taken by them during the whole time, when the work is in progress.
  - (2) Satisfy himself that the switch or switches Isolators controlling the mains and apparatus have been isolated, discharged, properly earthed where possible and tested for pressure with a discharge rod and that caution or Danger Notice have been placed at conspicuous places.
  - (3) Warn the workmen and the public of the danger that exist in the vicinity of the area covered by the 'Permit-to-work'.
  - (4) Create a safety zone by short circuiting together all the conductors and adequately earthing on either sides of the place of work.

#### TRANSFER OF PERMIT TO WORK FORM

- 6.7 (a) Transfer of permit-to-work from one Supervisor to another, is strictly prohibited. If there are more than one working parties, separate permits should be issued to the Supervisor in charge of each working party and a written record should be kept of the number of such permits issued for each work.
  - (b) If work is of such a nature and duration that it has to be carried out continuously, but under the supervision of more than one Supervisor on shift duty, the 'Permit-to-work' form shall be endorsed by the Permit Issuing Officer, canceling the name of the Supervisor to whom it was originally issued and substituting the name of the second or subsequent Supervisor to whom the permit will now become valid. The time of each endorsement should be noted on the 'Permit-to-Work' form and its duplicate.

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## ISSUE AND RECEIPT OF 'PERMIT-TO-WORK' BY THE SAME PERSON

6.8 In cases where the same person who has to issue the permit, has also to carry out the work covered by the permit, a 'Permit-to-Work' form shall be issued on himself before he undertakes the work and the form should be subsequently cancelled after the work is completed.

## CANCELLATION OF 'PERMIT-TO-WORK' FORMS

- 6.9 (a) 'Permit-to-work' form issued to the Supervisor shall be returned to Permit Issuing Officer only after all the works are complete, and earth removed so that the apparatus, mains and overhead lines are safe in all respects for charging and after all the workmen are withdrawn from the working area and are suitably warned that it is no longer safe to touch or approach the apparatus with in the said area.
  - (b) Under no circumstances shall any work be attempted after the return of the 'Permit-to-work' form duly discharged. A fresh permit shall be obtained for completing the balance of work subsequently.
  - (c) The return of the 'Permit-to-work' form duly discharged, will authorise the permit issuing officer, to resume normal operation.
  - (d) The Supervisor will not allow his staff to disperse before the permit issuing officer has tested the apparatus and advise the Supervisor that he has found the apparatus/line is satisfactory for commissioning, so as to avoid any unforeseen difficulties in re-commissioning the apparatus & lines.

# MAINTENENCE OF 'PERMIT-TO-WORK' AND APPLICATION FOR PREARRANGED SHUT DOWN BOOKS.

- 6.10 (a) A duplicate of every 'Permit-to-work' and application for 'Pre-arranged Shut-down' shall be retained in the Office of the permit issuing officer for at least 3 months after issue.
  - (b) The books should be treated as important record. The sheet and the books themselves should be serially numbered. No page should be detached or used for any but bona fide work.
  - (c) If any paper is inadvertently detached or found to be missing, a detailed and initialed statement must be then and there recorded in the book by the Permit Issuing Officer.

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#### REGISTER OF MESSAGE

- 6.11 (a) All messages and instructions to issue of permit to work, the operation of switches, and other important communication shall be recorded in the strict sequence in the log sheet and Register of messages maintained by the person responsible for the operation of power supply to the transmission or distribution system.
  - (b) The Supervisor responsible for the execution of the work shall also likewise record all messages and instructions relating to the operation of switches/circuit break/isolator and other important communication concerning the work, in a register of message maintained by him for the purpose.
  - (c) The final issue or return of permit shall be logged in the book in ink underlined when change of shift occur during the pendency of permit, the outgoing permit issuing officer shall inform his reliever about the existence of all permits, and show him the relevant entries. The incoming Permit Issuing Officer shall also sign in the log book while taking over charge to acknowledge that he has noted the pendency of the permits.

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#### **CHAPTER VII**

#### **GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

This is divided into the following groups:

- 7.1 General Safety precautions
- 7.2 Safety precautions for work on overhead lines, mains, Service lines and Telephone lines
- 7.3 Safety precautions for work on underground mains/cables
- 7.4 Temporary earthing

#### 7.1 GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- 7.1 (a) All voltages shall be considered dangerous even though it may not be high enough to produce serious shock.
  - (b) All electrical circuits are to be treated as live and no work (maintenance, repairs, cleaning) is to be carried out on any part of electrical apparatus or circuit unless such parts are:-
    - (1) Dead
    - (2) Isolated and all practicable steps taken to lock off from live conductors.
    - (3) Efficiently connected to earth between such points and points of work.
    - (4) Released for work by issue of permit.
    - (5) By checking that equipment for its de-energised condition.
  - [c] Working Conditions requiring more than one workman:-
    - (i) On some hazardous work it is not desirable for one man to work alone. The foreman / Supervisor shall determine when additional men are needed to protect workmen against accidents or to render assistance in case of unforeseen circumstances.
    - (ii) On specially hazardous jobs where close clearance or difficult working conditions are encountered, an observer may be required. On any job which in the opinion of the Foreman / Supervisor requires an observer, the Foreman / Supervisor or a man appointed by him will act

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as an observer. The observer should not engage in any activity that the Foreman / Supervisor considers will interfere with the duty of the observer.

- (d) Under no circumstances shall an employee hurry or take unnecessary chances when working under hazardous conditions, neither shall he attempt to perform hazardous work when extremely tired or exhausted.
- (e) Employees must use the Standard protective equipment intended for each job.
- (f) Only experienced persons shall be permitted to go behind guard rails or to clean around energised or moving equipment.
- (g) Employees working in an elevated position should use a suitable safety belt or other adequate means to guard against falling.
- (h) Circuits should be tagged, marked or lettered unless clear identification by other means exist.
- (i) As per IE Rules 1956 the minimum clearance required between a live and section for safe working is 2.6 Mts. for 11 KV.
- (j) However no employee should go or take any conducting objects within the distance given below from any exposed live part at the voltages specified 11 KV ..... 2.6 Mts.
- (k) Telephone conductors and ground wires of lightning arresters, though they may be at or near ground potential are liable to develop high induced voltage under fault conditions. Suitable precautions should be taken when working on or near such circuits.
- (i) When fighting fires near exposed live parts, employees should avoid using fire extinguishing liquids which are not insulating. If necessary, all neighbouring equipment may be killed or made dead.
- (m) Do not Depend upon tripping of circuit breaker for isolation of lines and equipment for supply mains. The isolation must be in air media by an air break switch or isolator preferably visible.
- (n) No signal system like waving hands, flags, whistle should be resorted to, to communicate intelligence or convey instructions.

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- (o) Insulation Adequate insulation should be provided where any part of the body is likely to come in contact with -
  - 1. Live lines or equipments
  - Parts of equipment or apparatus which may develop dangerous potential due to surges, arcs or insulation failure though such parts may normally be at or near ground potential.
- (p) Do not use bare fingers or hands to determine whether a circuit is live.
- (q) Do not depend upon insulation of cables for safe working.
- (r) In handling portable apparatus or lamps, first make sure that the extended metal frame is not live by contact with or leakage from live parts within. Have such portable equipment inspected at least once daily during the period of their use. Do not attempt to make any alterations or adjustments in portable equipment without cutting off supply.

# 7.2 SAFETY PRECAUTION FOR WORK ON OVERHEAD MAINS, SERVICE LINES AND TELEPHONE LINES.

- 7.2.1. Working on Dead line and Equipment:- No person shall work on line supports or conductors unless they are discharged and earthed as follows:
  - (a) The circuit or conductor to be worked on shall be made dead by switching off or opening the isolator links or fuses and by locking isolator/ links in the off position. A danger notice board with the words "DO NOT CLOSE", "MEN ON LINE" should be fixed securely, below the switch or links/isolator.
  - (b) After switching off the supply, before touching the lines, every one of the conductors shall be tested for pressure (voltage) by a discharge rod. The discharge wires should be kept at least two feet away from the body. The procedure is necessary in order to make sure that the line to be worked on is actually the line that has been isolated. Rubber gloves or preferably gauntlets should be used on both hands.
  - (c) All the conductors shall then be short circuited together and adequately earthed; this shall be done at the points one on each side of the place thereby creating a safety zone where the work is carried out. Rubber gloves or gauntlets shall be used while doing this work. Poles on which work is actually to be carried out should also be earthed.

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(d) A working section at either end of which the conductors are earthed shall not exceed 1.5 km in length.

In the case of lines meeting or crossing at any pole which forms the site of work, all the lines crossing or ending at that pole shall be earthed as stated above unless work on the one line with any or all the remaining lines alive is otherwise permissible and so specified in the permit-to-work.

- [e] Ensure that there is no possibility of back feed.
- [f] All phases shall be earthed even if work is to be carried out on one phase only.
- [g] When work is to be carried out on lines of all insulated conductors where grounding points are not provided at point of work, temporary, grounds shall be connected at point of work to an efficient portable earth straight driven into the ground. The line shall also be grounded at the nearest line grounding point on either side of the point of work.
- [h] Where two or more crew are working independently on the same line or equipment, each crew shall properly protect themselves by placing their own temporary grounds.

## 7.2.2 Working on lines and equipment adjacent to live equipment or lines:-

- [a] When working near live lines or apparatus, each man should plan his moves and take extreme care in moving from one position to another.
- [b] Where impractical to erect barriers between men at work and live parts within reach of their hands and objects being handled, continuous watch shall be kept by the Foreman/ supervisor or some one specifically designated by him for that purpose.
- [c] When a truck is used near live parts, all workmen except the driver should stay away from the truck. Driver should see that truck is clear from live lines before leaving and entering the truck.
- 7.2.3 Work on Double Circuit Overhead lines with one Circuit alive shall not be carried out.

## 7.2.4 Repair work on H.T. Lines and Equipment:-

(a) Handling and working on live electric circuits are hazardous occupations and shall be done only by workmen who are qualified by training and

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experience to do the work safely and only after authorisation.

- (b) Repair work on H.T lines on poles where L.T is also running under H.T should be carried out only after switching off the L.T effectively. Work on the L.T lines should not be carried out unless there is an efficient earth screen between H.T and L.T lines or in the absence of such a screen, unless the H.T line is switched off or in the opinion of the Supervisor, the work is otherwise safe.
- (c) Any line wherein the pressure does not exceed 250 V to earth may be worked on live line by an authorised person provided the person
  - 1. uses a safety belt.
  - 2. wears rubber gloves or gauntlets.
  - 3. has not to push any part of the body, except that portion of the arms protected by the gauntiets or gloves through any conductor other than that worked upon.
  - 4. is accompanied by an assistant with an effective torch light if working at night.
  - 5. before a lineman undertakes any work on a pole or any other line support, he should first make a complete inspection from the ground of the position of all live wires, in order to determine the amount of precautions to be adopted and should inspect his insulating equipment and operating tools and tackles for their good condition before he attempts to do the actual work.

### 7.2.5 Telephone lines:-

Work on telephone lines whether run on same supports as H.T lines or on separate supports should be carried out only after taking necessary permits and discharging and earthing the same as per regulations for H.T Lines.

#### 7.2.6 Work on Poles and Towers:- 13

- (a) Before climbing an elevated structure every employee shall first assure himself that the structure is strong enough to sustain his weight safely.
- (b) If poles or cross arms are apparently unsafe because of decay or unbalanced tensions of wires on them, they shall be properly braced or guyed before they are climbed.

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- (c) In choosing the climbing side, the side of the pole where the ground wire is attached should not be used.
- (d) The workman should avoid using conductors, insulators, pins and so forth as hand holds and should not rest on street light fixtures or other apparatus on the poles or structures.
- (e) Lineman shall wear their safety belts while working on the poles and towers.
- (f) Wire hooks shall not be attached to linemen's belts or safety straps
- (g) Safety straps should be placed above the top cross arm when it is at the top of the pole.
- (h) When two or more men are ascending a pole the second man should not start climbing until the first man is in a safe position or when descending until the first man is on the ground.
- (i) On arriving at the working position, the lineman should put his safety belt around the pole or some other suitable supports and make sure that the belt is properly secured. Care should be taken to prevent the straps on safety belt coming in contact with anything that may open the snap and thus release the safety belt. Safety belts should not be attached to insulator pins, span wires, guy wires etc..
- (j) Linemen's tools should be so secured that they will not fall out of the tool belts. A lineman should carry only the minimum number of tools in his belt. All other tools should be kept on the ground until they are required and then raised by means of a material bag attached to a hand line.
- (k) Ordinarily no Lineman should work vertically below another lineman on the same pole except under emergencies. When this condition is necessary extreme care should be taken to prevent tools or other objects being dropped upon the man below.
- (I) When transferring wires and equipments from on old pole to a new pole, the old pole should either be locked to the new pole or guyed or both, as the condition may demand.
- (m) Before a Lineman cuts an overhead conductor he should make sure that it will fall clear. Where there is a possibility of the falling line coming in

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contact with another wire or doing other damage, it should be lowered with a rope.

- (n) All light equipment and tools to be used aloft should be raised and lowered by means of a hand line and canvas bucket, or other suitable container. Men on the ground should stand clear of overhead work to prevent being struck by falling objects.
- (o) Tools and materials should not be thrown from the ground to a lineman working aloft, nor should lineman throw tools and materials from working place to the ground.
- (p) No man shall work in such a manner that his arms or any tools extend beyond the body of tower when working on the live side.
- (q) Broken insulators or other sharp edged material shall not be left in vacant lots, along the right of way or in the location where the hazard of cutting feet could be caused for men or animals.
- (r) When stringing wires across streets and highways, avoid interfering with traffic or causing injury to workmen or pedestrians. Danger signs should be erected on both sides of the work location and where conditions warrant, flag men should be stationed.
- (s) Hand lines, materials, tools or equipment must not be scattered around streets, side walks, highways, etc., but must be kept in a neat, and orderly manner where they will not be liable to cause accident.
- (t) In handling wires on a pole, they should be raised or lowered with a dry hand line and extreme care exercised to prevent them from coming in contact with live lines and equipment.
- (u) A leather belt should be used when working on overhead locations. In its absence belts of flexible hemp or manila rope +" may be permitted round the Waist of the workman and tied to cross arm or pole as an alternative to the use of leather belt, under exceptional circumstances. The ropes should be kept in good condition and scrapped when not safe. It is necessary that the rope is twisted round the pole once or twice in order that release of tension on the pole may not cause it to slip down the pole.
- (v) Use ladders of suitable lengths to go up the poles to renew fuses or to

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carry out other minor works on feeders and wherever possible or necessary, dry hickory rod should also be used.

### 7.2.7 Construction works on Lines:-

- (a) Hauling Poles:
  - (i) Poles must be securely held on trucks to assure that the binders will not be released in rough going.
  - (ii) The speed of trucks hauling poles must be restricted to a point assuring safety to the operators of trucks and the traveling public.
  - (iii) A red flag by day and a red light by night must be attached to the end of poles being hauled. The red light must be visible in any direction.
- (b) Pole Storage:
  - (i) When poles are stored on pole racks they shall be properly blocked, to keep them intact on the rack. Poles of different sizes should not be mixed but stored separately.
  - (ii) When poles are stocked temporarily near a road, they should be placed as close as possible to the edge of road. They should not be stored at points in the road where there are short turns. Poles stored on the highways should not have cross arms attached.
- (c) Excavation of Pole Pits:
  - (i) The pole pits should not be excavated much in advance of erection as the pits cannot be left without being back-filled immediately.
  - (ii) Within town and village limits the pits excavated should be covered with planks so that no one accidentally falls into it. Danger lamps should also be put up during night time.
  - (iii) In distribution as far as possible, the pit is to be excavated without resorting to blasting as it is dangerous to the adjacent buildings & roads where there is a traffic. If blasting is unavoidable, special precautions should be taken by covering the pit with bamboo's & planks carrying out blasting at a time when there is no traffic on the road.

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### (d) Erection of Poles:

- (i) This should be done under direct supervision of Foreman/ Supervisor.
- (ii) Care should be taken to see that the ropes used are in sound condition and they are tied securely to the pole and tackle.
- (iii) When side guys are used in the setting of poles or structures, they shall be attached to crow bars driven into the ground.
- (iv) The Supervisor shall not assist in the setting of poles, but must give his entire attention to the Supervision to assure that the work is being safely performed.
- (v) In obstructing a highway during the erection of poles, suitable signs or warnings shall be used on each side of the work to advise approaching traffic of the obstruction. Where traffic is heavy flag-men should be used for this purpose. Signs or signals must be moved along as the work progresses.

### (e) Installation of Guy Wires:-

- (i) When insulators are used they should be connected into the guy wire line before the guy wire is set in place. Rubber gloves should be worn while installing guy wires through live circuits.
- (ii) In new work, guys should generally be installed before line wires are strung. In reconstruction work guys should be installed before any changes are made in the line wires and care must be taken not to place excessive pulls on the pole and wires already in position.
- (iii) Guys should be so installed as not to interfere any more than necessary with the climbing space and should clear all high tension wires as far as practicable.
- (iv) Guy strain insulators should be provided wherever necessary to secure the required amount of insulation.
- (v) Guys should be carefully installed on poles to prevent them from becoming loose. Where necessary a guy hook may be used to prevent the guy from slipping down the pole. These hooks should not interfere with climbing and should be so placed that they will not be used as steps. Where guys are liable to cut into the surface of a pole,

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the pole should be protected at the point where the guy is attached by a guy plate. The plate must be well secured to the pole to prevent the possibility of injury to a lineman climbing up or down the pole.

- (vi) All guys which are anchored should be installed so that the guy does not interfere with street or highway traffic. Where these guys are located near street or highway, they should be equipped with traffic guards (traffic guards are sometimes called anchor shields).
- (vii) Guy wire should be so installed that it will not rub against any messenger or signal cable carried under supply lines.
- (viii) Guy wire, containing snarls or kinks should not be used for line work.

  Guy wires should not contain any more splices than absolutely necessary. Standard guy clamps or other positive clamping device should be used in making all stiff steel guy wire splices.
- (f) Removal of Guys:- Before wires and guys are removed, the condition of the pole must be determined. If the pole is found to be weak, it should be securely braced before any changes in pole strain are made.
- (g) Foreign Wire Attachments: Foreign wire attachments, such as signal lines, signal equipment and so forth, should be considered live and should be avoided at all times, unless otherwise protected. While a lineman is working on high tension lines, he should be careful not to disturb for eign lines and equipment which may be attached to the same pole.
  - (h) Back filling: Side guys, etc., should not be removed until sufficient stamping has been done to prevent the falling of the pole.
  - (i) Dismantling poles All poles must be guyed at least three ways by means of guy ropes before any other work proceeds on the pole. This can be done by:
    - 1. Make two turns around the pole with a sling and tie securely.
    - 2. Tie three guy lines around the sling at the proper angles.
    - 3. Insert a pike pole under two sides of the sling and work the sling well up the pole.
    - 4. Snub off securely by means of crow bars driven into solid ground on any other substantial snub.

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5. Lineman may then climb up the pole safely and release all conductors and other equipment and the pole may then be slowly brought down.

### [j] Stringing Wires:

- (1) In stringing of wires, care must be taken not to put kinks into any part. Kinks reduce the strength of the wire and may result in snapping of wire later on.
- (2) In handling and stringing of weather proof covered wires, care must be taken not to injure the weather proof covering.
- (3) A lineman must not change the strains on a pole by adding wires until he is satisfied that the poles will safely stand the altered strain.

### (k) Tree Trimming:-

- (i) The public shall be protected against hazards of tree trimming along public streets and highways by placing danger signals and signs.
- (ii) Before climbing, the limbs or branches should be carefully inspected to make sure that they will hold the trimmers weight. Dead or decayed limbs are not safe to support any weight.
  - Axes shall not be used aloft. Always use saws or bill hooks.
     Tools should be raised and lowered by hand line only.
  - (2) Parts of trees in contact with live wires should be handled as live wire.
  - (3) Before cutting down a tree, all limbs should be cut off for a sufficient height to avoid striking electric lines. Where there is danger that the tree may strike and damage property block and tackle should be used to control the directions of fall.
  - (4) Felling operation, once started, should be finished before the crew leaves for the night or lunch hour.

### [I] Right of Way Clearing and Trimming:

- (1) When walking through slush, use ankle high canvass boots to prevent injury to feet from broken insulators thorny under growth, shells, etc.,
- (2) Trees should be carefully felled to prevent them falling on transmission lines or adjacent buildings.

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- [m] Avoid starting grass fires or forest fires.
- [n] Patrolling Lines:-
  - (1) Emergency line patrol, trouble shooting on transmission lines and similar work should always be done with the greatest caution. Patrol men should be particularly alert at night to avoid walking into the fallen wires or metal fences which may be energised by fallen conductors.
  - (2) Be careful with lighted cigarettes and matches which may cause a fire along transmission line right of way. Break matches and crush cigarettes butts into earth on discarding.
  - (3) PATROLMEN should be alert from stumbling hazards and from poisonous plants and snakes.
- [o] Line Work under Adverse Weather Conditions:- In the event of the near approach of lightning storm all work on overhead lines shall cease immediately.

# 7.3 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR WORK ON UNDERGROUND MAINS/CABLES

# 7.3.1 Work on Live Low Voltage Mains:-

Only, competent, experienced and authorised persons may work on live low voltage mains and testing Apparatus.

# 7.3.2 Use of Insulating Guards:-

- (a) Any employee shall not work on low voltage main with live conductors (UG Cable) alongside him until all those conductors are insulated for a distance at least 900 mm on each side of his body with the insulating hose or mats provided for the purpose.
- (b) The neutral shall be regarded as a live conductor.
- 7.3.3 Work on Dead Low Voltage Mains: Unless an employee is authorised to work on live low voltage mains and testing apparatus, all low voltage mains testing apparatus to be worked upon, shall be isolated from all sources of supply proved dead, and measures shall be taken against the inadvertent energising of the mains and apparatus.
- 7.3.4 Testing Low Voltage: An employee shall not apply low voltage for test

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purpose, to any mains, unless he has received a permit to work from and warned all persons working on the mains of the proposed application of low voltage for test. Where any part of the mains which will then become live is posed, the Supervisor in charge of the test shall arrange for an employee to stand by at the exposed part during the whole period of the tests.

### 7.3.5 Work on High Voltage Mains:

- (a) While working on High Voltage underground mains, the following shall be complied with:-
  - (1) The dead cable should first be identified by approved means.
  - (2) Before working on underground cable, all its conductors shall be effectively discharged and earthed at both ends and the earthing switches wherever installed shall be locked up.
  - (3) The neighbouring cables if any, should be adequately protected.
  - (4) Before cutting the dead cable, a steel wedge shall be carefully driven through it at the point where it is to be cut.

### 7.3.6 Minimum Working Distance:

- (a) No employee shall work within the minimum working distance, which is normally 4/1.2 Mts. from the exposed live high voltage mains.
- (b) Under certain conditions, for special work and in an emergency, an employee may work within the minimum safe working distance where the work is directly and specifically sanctioned by the Supervisor responsible for the work and employee is fully experienced and aware of the dangers that exist.
- (c) In all such cases, the employee shall be accompanied by another employee who is also aware of the dangers which exist and who is capable of rendering First Aid and Artificial Respiration.

### 7.3.7 Devices for proving Dead High Voltage Mains:

Only devices approved and issued for the purpose shall be used;

(a) The High Voltage Neon Lamp contact indicator rod may be used for proving dead exposed high voltage mains. Each rod is fitted with an indicating Neon tube which should glow when the contact end of the rod is applied to exposed live high voltage mains. Each rod is clearly marked

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for the maximum voltage on which it may be safely used and must not, under any circumstances, be used on higher voltages.

- (b) High Voltage contact phasing rods are provided for phasing and proving dead exposed high voltage mains. A set consists of two rods connected in series by a length of insulted cable. Both rods are fitted with contact tips and indicating tubes. When the contact tip of one rod is applied to exposed live high voltage mains and that of the other to earth or other exposed live high voltage mains and when there is a sufficient difference of potential from that to which the first rod applied, the indicating tubes should glow. Each set of rods is normally marked for the maximum voltage on which it may be used and must not, under any circumstances, be used on higher voltages.
- 7.3.8. Use of High Voltage Contact Indicator and Phasing Rods:- While using the high voltage contact indicator and phasing rods, the following shall be complied with:
  - (a) Ensure that the rod is clean and dry.
  - (b) Check the rod by applying it to known live mains of the correct voltage the indicating tube must glow.
  - (c) Apply the rod to each phase of the mains to be proved dead. The indicating tube must not glow. Be very careful to be in a position to the glow in the indicating tube, if any, should appear.
  - (d) Again, check the rod by applying it to live mains as in (b) above. Again, the indicating tube must glow.

NOTE: All the above operations shall be carried out, at the same place and time.

If no live high voltage mains or apparatus are available on the site, rods upto 11 KV may be tested by applying them to the top of a spark plug in running motor car engine. If the rod is in order, the indicating tube will glow each time the plug sparks. Therefore, the glow will be intermittent, but the indicating tube must glow on this test or the rod is useless as a means of proving dead. Remember, Test the Rod before and after use.

7.3.9 Work on Cubicle Type High Voltage Panels: If draw out cubicles are the ones on which work is programmed, these cubicles shall be drawn out after

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switching off circuit breakers, and the draw out panels effectively discharged before any work is done over the same.

# 7.3.10 Safety Procedures to be observed while working on Ring Main Units (RMU):

- 1. While working on ODs (in-comers) it has to be ensured that the OD cables are completely dead (isolated). All the VLs (out-going) are also to be kept in open condition. All the ODs and VLs shall be earthed and the cables be discharged using proper earthing device to avoid shock due to static charges in the cable. The GOS provided for cable (if any) shall be kept open, duly ensuring that all the blades are opened out.
- 2. The conventional oil circuit breakers have been replaced by V.C.Bs in most of the RMUs. If not the operating handle of the oil switch shall be carefully used with all interlocks to avoid inadvertent operation.
- 3. While working on a VL, the concerned cable shall be isolated from the bus and shall be earthed after opening at either end of the cable.
- 4. After the OD/VL are opened for line clear purposes, the breaker of OD/VL shall be invariably lowered and placed in earth position before any work is taken up on such cable or terminations.

#### 7.4 TEMPORARY EARTHING

7.4.1 This covers the detailed procedure for providing temporary earths while carrying out operation and maintenance works on the already existing lines or construction of new lines for the protection of workmen & property.

#### 7.4.2 Temporary earths:

- 7.4.2.1 Temporary earths are those applied at the actual location of the work during repair or construction of installations for the protection of workmen and property.
- **7.4.2.2** Following features of temporary earthing equipment shall be kept in view by persons using it:
  - (a) Earthing devices shall be of approved types, comprising properly designed clamps attached to insulated sticks of sufficient lengths to enable the clamps to be securely clamped to the conductors being earthed without an employee's hand approaching closer than the

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minimum safe working distances. Each such line clamp is to be connected by a flexible copper earthing lead or of equivalent copper section of aluminum cable to an adequate earth clamp or other devise for attaching to a permanent connection or to a temporary earthing spike.

- (b) All earthing jumpers shall be of annealed bare and stranded copper equivalent aluminium conductor. Earthing leads for use at sub-stations and lines for use at sub-stations and lines shall have a cross-section of at least 0.645 Sq. cm. (0.1 sq. inch) copper equivalent.
- (c) Earthing connections shall be continuous.
- (d) Electrodes for installation of temporary earths shall be of iron or steel rods at least 1.905 cm. (3/4") in diameter and 1.524 Mts. (5 ft.) in length. These shall have clear metal surfaces free from rust or any coating of paint or any other poor conducting material and be driven to a depth of at least 0.914 meters (3 ft.) in a spot considered to give good earth.
- (e) Chain used for earthing shall be examined by the employees every time before use.

# 7.4.2.3 General Precautions to be taken in connection with the application of temporary earths:

- 1. No electric apparatus or line shall be earthed until all reasonable precautions have been taken to ensure that it has been disconnected from all sources of supply.
- 2. The connections for earthing of an apparatus or line shall be applied or removed only by competent persons.
- Earthing leads shall be connected to the system before being secured to the conductors.
- 4. Earthing leads shall not be applied in any cell or compartment in which there is an exposed live conductor.
- 5. When it is necessary to cut a line, busbar or loop or to repair a broken conductor or damaged loop, earths shall be placed on both sides of the work.

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- Before working on underground cables, they shall be disconnected from the source of energy, discharged and then earthed. To discharge them, use an earthed wire and make contact with it to each terminal in turn repeatedly.
- 7. When removing earthing leads they shall be disconnected from the line conductors first and the earth system last. The removal shall be carried out in a reverse order to that adopted for the connection of various conductors to earth.
- 8. All works on dead circuits shall be done between two sets of temporary earths.
- Earths shall never be attached or removed with bare hands. Rubber gloves, Gauntlets or approved protective equipment shall always be used.
- 10. In so far practicable, the person applying the earths on poles and structures shall maintain his position below the level of conductors to be earthed in order to keep the body away from any arc that may occur when the earthing device is applied.
- 11. Employees shall keep off the earth wire.
- 12. No temporary earths shall be removed from the equipment while the work is in progress.
- 13. Employees shall not touch any conductors from which protective earths have been removed.
- 14. Earthing of one conductor does not render other conductor safe for work. All phases shall be earthed even if work is to be carried out only on one phase.

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### CHAPTER VIII

# 8.0 CARE, MAINTENANCE AND USE OF WORKMAN'S SAFETY DEVICES AND TOOLS

The following are the minimum requirements of safety devices and special tools:

- 1. Rubber Gloves, gauntlets and Rubber Mats
- 2. Safety Belts
- 3. Leather Protective Gloves
- 4. Hand lines
- 5. Ladders
- 6. Ropes
- 7. Hand Tools

### WORKMEN'S SAFETY DEVICES

- 8.1 (i) Rubber gauntlets, gloves, mats, boots and galoshes, insulated platforms and stools, safety belts, hand lines, tower wagons and other special insulated devices shall be used as required by employees working on electrical apparatus, underground mains and overhead lines as precaution against accidental electric shock.
  - (ii) Pliers and other tools insulated with brittle materials or otherwise liable to have the insulation damaged when in use, shall not be used.
  - (iii) The Supervisor in charge of the work will be responsible to test and ensure proper use of the safety equipment, supplied to the gang of workmen under him and see that it is maintained at all times in efficient condition and must immediately bring to the notice of his superior officer any equipment which is liable to be broken in use, when arrangements will be made immediately for their replacement.

### LINEMAN'S, FITTER'S OR CABLE JOINTER'S CLOTHING

8.2 Lineman while working on lines shall avoid wearing loose clothing, rings, metal

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chains, etc., which may contact a live portion and cause hazard. They shall use rubber gloves, safety shoes, Head gear, Goggles wherever available.

# INSPECTION OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- 8.3 All safety equipment shall be thoroughly inspected:
  - (i) Monthly, by the T&P holder
  - (ii) Quarterly, by the Assistant Executive Engineer,
  - (iii) Once in six months, by the Division Officer for its being in good condition.

# RESPONSIBILITY IN USING SAFETY DEVICES

8.4 It is the responsibility of the employee to make use of safety devices properly.

# RUBBER GLOVES AND GAUNTLETS

8.5 Rubber gloves should not be rough handled as to be damaged. After the work they should be cleaned, and powdered with French chalk and stored in a safe place.

# TESTING RUBBER GLOVES AND GAUNTLETS

8.6 Before using, the gloves should be checked for cuts, weak spots, pin holes, by an "Air Test". This is done by rolling the gloves tightly from the gauntlet end, and noticing if any air escapes. If air leaks the gloves should be discarded. If the right hand gloves is found to be unserviceable the pair itself should be discarded. A left hand gloves should not be used on right hand.

# CARE OF RUBBER EQUIPMENT

8.7 Rubber equipment should be kept clean and free from oil. They should not be stored near a source of heat, or exposed unnecessarily to sun's heat. They are best stored in protective containers, and should not be tied by cords or threads which may cut it.

# USE OF RUBBER GLOVES SHOULD BE INSISTED ON

- 8.8 (i) When inspecting the Transformer or its H.T. &L.T. leads.
- (ii) When connecting wire near a live conductor or equipment.
  - (iii) While removing or replacing fuses of H.T. installations.

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- (iv) A combination of gloves and hickory rod or fuse pole rods should be used where the voltage exceeds 5,000 volts.
- (v) While opening & closing Isolators.

### CARE OF SAFETY BELTS

8.9 Safety belt should be properly handled, and periodically treated with oil to prevent its becoming hard. Care should be taken to see that sharp tools or edges do not cut dents and holes in it. Extra holes should not be punched as it weaken the belt. It is best preserved in a separate case.

#### LEATHER PROTECTING GLOVES

8.10 Protective leather gloves may be worn over rubber gauntlets when wires are being spliced or when solder or hot compound are being handled when it is necessary for the person to move about a lot during working, or when line wires are being tied on to insulators or when any other work is being done which might render the gauntlet liable to tear and consequent danger to the wearer!

#### **HANDLINES**

8.11 Hand lines should have minimum diameter of +"and should be twice as the height where work is being done. They should always be kept clean and dry, free from grease, solder, oil, etc., Ends should be tied to prevent unraveling of the strands. Hand lines should not have metal reinforcement. When joining the hand lines a splice should be made. No metallic clamps or wire should be used for jointing. Hand line should be carried up a pole, uncoiled and attached to the body belt. The hand line must be strong enough to carry the weight of a person. Hand lines should not be allowed to become wet, and should be dried before being stored. A spare hand line should always be available in an emergency. Hand lines should be kept away from street and vehicle traffic.

#### **LADDERS**

- 8.12 (a) Ladders must be of strength to carry double the strain of the heaviest load that would be placed upon them.
  - (b) Defective ladders must never be used.
  - (c) A clearance space of not less than 12" must be provided between ladder

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rungs. A minimum clearance space of 36"/90 cms must be provided in front of ladders where space permits.

- (d) When straight, portable ladders are used on hard surfaces, they must be held or firmly locked in addition, anti-slip shoes must be used where provided.
- (e) Ladders must be kept free from dirt, grease, and paint spots.
- (f) Ladders must be stored upon brackets and in sheltered locations.
- (g) Ladders must not be placed in front of doors opening towards the ladder, or against window sashes.
- (h) Step-ladders must be fully opened before being used.
- (i) Two ladders must not be spliced together.
- (j) Employees must face ladders when ascending or descending over them, and must have both hands free.
- (k) Employees must not slide down or try stunts on ladders.
- (I) Ladders must be periodically inspected; when found defective, they must be repaired or disposed off.
- (m) Straight, portable ladders must be placed at safe angle about 75 degrees with the horizontal. In other words, place the foot of a 12'/4Mts ladder 3'/1Mts. from the object it leans against.

#### ROPES

- 8.13 (a) Fibre ropes are made principally of manilla fibre, sisal fibre and hemp. Frequent inspections are required in the use of rope as the interior fibers may be broken or ground to powder, while the exterior fibres may indicate that the rope is little worn.
  - (b) Pure manila rope is the strongest and most reliable of fibre ropes. It is of a yellowish colour with silvery or pearlish lustre and has a silky feel when drawn through the hand. Rope with brown or black fiber is of inferior grade.

Sisal rope has about 67% of the strength of manila rope. It is yellowish white, sometimes with a greenish tint. The Fibers are hard and stiff, with a tendency to splinter.

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Hemp rope is nearly as strong as manila and is slightly more resistant to atmospheric deterioration. It is of a dark grey colour and is much softer than manila rope.

(c) Rope must be so uncoiled as to avoid kinking, since even a moderate strain on a rope in which there is a kink may over-stress the fibers at the kink.

Wet ropes deteriorates rapidly unless dried properly. It should be hung up in loose coils so that dry air can be circulated through them. Heat should never be applied as it dries out the oil and thus shortens the life of the rope. Wet rope has a tendency to form kinks. No load should be applied until all kinks are removed.

All ropes are easily damaged by acids and alkalis. Any rope known to have been exposed to acids or alkalis (sometimes indicated by discoloration or strains) should be used with caution.

- (d) In making a rope fast, an object with a smooth round surface should be selected. When rope is running over a sheave or pulley internal wear is caused by friction. The life of rope is greatly prolonged by using blocks with sheaves of large diameter.
- (e) Fibre rope should always be cleaned before being placed in storage and shall be stored in a dry, airy place. It should never be stored in the same room with acid or caustics.

### HAND TOOLS

- **8.14** (a) Using hand tools improperly, neglecting to keep them in safe working condition and carelessly leaving them around where they may endanger persons are frequent causes of accidents. Proper tools should always be used for the work.
  - (b) All tools shall be maintained in good working conditions. Burred heads shall be promptly redressed. Broken, cracked or otherwise damaged handles shall be replaced. All tools with sharp edges should be kept in sheaths, shields, tool chests or other containers, when not in actual use.
  - (c) A screw driver should never be used as a chisel screw drivers with full length metal tong or shank through handle must not be used for electrical

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work. Other tools such as pliers, wrenches, etc., whether insulated or not insulated shall not be used without rubber gloves while working near live parts of any voltage.

- (d) All files shall be fitted with substantial handle; workmen should keep files cleaned as this reduces the slipping hazard and prevents skinned hands.
- (e) Never use metal tapes, rulers, or cloth tapes with metal strands or wood rulers with metal ferrules or joints near energised equipment.
- (f) Avoid use of long saws among wires as a short circuit may be caused.
- (g) Belt-tools must be well secured to the belt. Only pliers, hammers, wrench and connectors should be carried. All other tools should remain below until needed and then hoisted in bag.

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## APPENDIX I

# TELEPHONE MESSAGE ACCIDENT REPORT

2. Date and time of occurrence :	
3. Name of the casualty, Address, sex and age:	
4. Fatal/non-fatal (if non-fatal state condition) :	
5. Departmental or non-departmental (If departmental, details of Ch. No. and designation etc., to be furnished) :	
Voltage, name of the feeder and place of accident :	
7. State the occurance in brief :	
8. Date and time of reporting	

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### **APPENDIX-II**

# FORM FOR REPORTING ELECTRICAL ACCIDENTS

- Date and time of accident
- Place of accident (village/Town/Taluk/ District and State).
- 3. System and voltage of supply, (Whether EHV/HV/LV line, Sub-station/consumer's Installation/service mains/other installations)
- 4. Designation of the Officer in charge of the supplier in whose jurisdiction the accident occurred.
- 5. Name of the owner/user of energy in whose premises the accident occurred.
- 6. Details of Victim(s):-
  - (a) Human:

Name of the victim(s)	Father's name	Sex of the victim		Approximate age	Fatal/Non-fatal
			. ·		

(b) Animal

SI. No.	Description of animal(s)	Numbers	Name(s) of the owner(s)	Address(es) of the owner(s)	Fatal/Non-fatal
		(	·		

- 1. In case the victim(s) is/are employee(s) of supplier:-
  - (a) designation of such person(s)
  - (b) brief description of the job undertaken, if any.
  - (c) Whether such person/persons was/were allowed to work on the job.
- 1. In case the victim(s) is/are employee(s) of a licensed contractor:-

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- (a) Did the victim(s) possess any electrical workmen's permit(s) supervisor's certificate of competency issued under rule 45? If yes give number and date of issue and the name of issuing authority.
- (b) Name and designation of the person who assigned the duties of the victim(s).
- 1. In case of accident in the supplier's system, was the permit to work (PTW) taken?
- 2 (a) Describe fully the nature and extent of injuries, ex., Fatal/disablement (permanent or temporary) of any portion of the body or burns or other injuries.
  - (b) In case of fatal accident, was the post mortem performed?
- 3. Detailed causes leading to the accident (to be given in a separate sheet annexed to this form).
- 4. Action taken regarding first-aid, medical attendance etc, immediately after the occurrence of the accident(give details)
- 5. Whether District Magistrate and police station concerned have been notified of the accident (if so, give details)
- 6. Steps taken to preserve the evidence in connection with the accident to the extent possible.
- 7. Name and designation(s) of the person(s) assisting, supervising the person(s) killed or injured.
- 8. What safety equipments were given to and used by the person(s) who met with this accident (ex. Rubber gloves, rubber mats, safety belts and ladders etc.,)?
- 9. Whether isolating switches and other sectionalising devices were employed to deaden the sections for working on the same? Whether working section was earthed at the site of work?
- 10. Whether the work on the live lines was undertaken by authorised person(s)? If so, the name and the designation of such person(s) may be given.
- 11. Whether artificial resuscitation treatment was given to the person(s) who met

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with the electrical accident?, If yes, how long was it continued before its abandonment?

- 12. Name and designation of the persons present at and witnessed the accident.
- 13. Any other information/Remarks.

Place:

Time:

Date:

Signature

Name

Designation

Address of the person reporting.

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### **APPENDIX-IV**

# KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION Ltd.,

## Application for Pre-arranged Shutdowns

1.	Name of applicant	:			
2.	Designation and address	:			
3.	Section of line or feeder or equipment on which shutdown is required.				
4.	Time, date and duration of shutdown	:			
5.	Purpose of shutdown	:			
6.	Consumers affected by shutdown	: <u></u>			
	Whether concurrence of competent authority obtained or not	:			
8.	Nearest contact No.	17.			
Się	gnature of applicant Si	gnature of K.P.T.C.L., Officer recommending Signature			
		Approved by Officer-in-charge of station			
(1) The applicant shall not be below the rank of a Junior Engineer.					
The application duly approved by Officer-in-charge of Station will be forwarded to the concerned operator on duty for shutdown and this form will be retained by him as					
а	record.				
	Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited				

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