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Sub: Guidelines for Processing Agriculture Applications under changed circumstances.

On account of a huge backlog of Agriculture applications pending in the field offices of DISCOMs, the applicants have to wait for a long period from the date of registration of their applications. It may happen that circumstances may get changed over a time in some of the cases because of such a long waiting period and applicants approach either to give their connection in another land survey number due to non-availability of water at their original demand place, or to the legal heir of the deceased applicant or to the incoming land owner due to change in ownership of the land.

Erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board vide letter No. OMR/GEN/1556 dated 18.06.1996 had issued guidelines for allowing change of place within jurisdiction of village in case of registered pending Agricultural Applications. As per the guidelines, registered applicants of Agriculture connection is being allowed to change the place of his connection within the village under certain circumstances.

Looking to the tenure of pending agriculture applications, it is quit relevant to review the previous guide lines to streamline the entire process all across all DISCOMs. Further, in many instances applicants also approach to various forums including Hon'ble GERC to allow them change of place located at another village due to one or another reason.

Therefore, to have a uniform practice for processing such type of request by field offices, it is decided to modify and revise the guidelines issued by erstwhile GEB. The provisions of modified guidelines are given here under.

1. Change of place within jurisdiction of subdivision shall be allowed. Therefore, if the applicant applies for the change of place of his/her connection either within the village or at another village within the same sub-division (sub-division in which the application for new agriculture connection is registered and pending at the time of issuing estimate), the connection may be processed at new place. The original priority of the applicant shall be maintained for the purpose of serving the estimate.
2. In case applicant makes application for change of place within the jurisdiction of subdivision after the payment of estimate charges prior the execution of work such individual (if technically feasible) case shall be processed for release of connection at new place within jurisdiction of same subdivision by recovering additional charges if any on production of documentary evidence by the applicant. However, such request for change of place shall not be entertained for group of applicants i.e. group of (nos) applicants. All other formalities be carried out as per Company's rules including a fresh agreement. The priority for execution of work will be as per the category of connection at new place.
3. To release Ag. connection to legal heir of the deceased before issue of estimate.
Applicant's legal heir may be given Ag. connection at another place, either within same village or at another village within same sub-division (sub-division in which the application for new agriculture application is registered and pending at the time of issuing estimate) after obtaining documentary proof of legal heir and death certificate of the applicant along with the consent of other legal heirs if any. Registration fee in the name of legal heir be recovered, along with the application and other necessary documents required as per rules be obtained. The original priority of the deceased be maintained for incoming legal heir.

4. If the applicant expires after the payment of estimate charges without entering into agreement with DISCOM.

The connection may be given to legal heir in the same village and at original place after obtaining the necessary documents as mentioned in point-3 above. Energy deposit and other charges if any be recovered from the legal heir i.e. new applicant and agreement be executed with legal heir as being done in case of name transfer.

5. Applicant sells his/her land and purchaser desires to avail connection in his/her name before the estimate is issued. The purchaser i.e. incoming party be given Ag. connection by recovering fresh registration charges, application and obtaining certified copy of the documents in respect of ownership i.e. Entry in Revenue Records and consent of the original applicant. The connection of the incoming party be processed in lieu of the priority of original party. (Priority remains unchanged).

The cases pending on the date of this circular at various judicial authorities can be settled on the basis of above guide lines. Field officers may further be advised to enter the name of incoming applicant just below the original applicant in priority register with a detailed remark in the remark column for the reason of changes.

With this, guide lines issued vide letter no. OMR/GEN/1556 dated 18.06.1996 now stands cancelled.

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