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Sri Shripad Yesso Naik,
Minister of State for Power,
Govt of India,
New Delhi.

Sub: **Memorandum against ongoing privatization in Union Territories & States.**

Respected Sir,

All India Power Engineers Federation (AIPEF) is the only federation of all power engineers working in State / UT Power Utilities, Central Electricity Authority, BBMB & DVC. AIPEF through its constituent APSEB Engineers Association takes this opportunity to bring some burning issues on above referred subject to your kind notice and notice of Honorable Group of Ministers.

2. Main issue is how to achieve the viability of State DISCOMS. We are of firm opinion that DISCOMS should remain in the public sector in the larger interest of both consumers & employees. As far as viability is concerned in most of the States it has been achieved in the public sector itself. With the implementation of the RDSS scheme of the Ministry of Power, reduction of AT&C losses is being done everywhere. National average of AT&C losses has significantly come down during the last two-three years.

3. The way profit earning Chandigarh Power Department was privatized under duress was a horrible experience for power employees & engineers working in Chandigarh Power Department. More than 200 power employees were forced to take retirement a day before privatization. After privatization, the attitude of private companies towards power employees is apathetic.

4. Now in UP, the biggest State of Country privatization spree is going on in 42 districts which is a hasty move and should be withdrawn immediately. In UP privatization is being done in violation of two written agreements with Vidyut Karmchari Sanyukt Sangharsh Samiti, UP which is an umbrella organization of all major unions & associations of power employees & engineers.

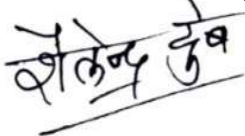
5. First agreement was signed on 05 April, 2018 with the then Energy Minister of UP Sri Srikant Sharma ji & second agreement was signed on 06 October, 2020 with Finance Minister Shri Suresh Khanna ji & the then Energy Minister of UP Sri Srikant Sharma ji. In both the agreements it is written that all the reform measures will be done in the existing infrastructure of UP DISCOMS & no privatization will be done anywhere in the power sector of UP without taking UP Power Employees & Engineers in confidence. As far as reduction of losses is concerned AT&C losses

have come down from 41% in 2017 to 16.5% in 2024. Power Employees & Engineers of UP are fully committed towards improvement. They have done miracles in Maha Kumbh which the whole world has seen, even Honorable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has appreciated it publicly.

6. Therefore AIPEF requests you to kindly use your good offices & intervene so that unilaterally going on privatization exercise in UP is withdrawn, profit making Chandigarh Power Department privatization is reviewed and no privatization is done anywhere in the larger interest of consumers & employees.

With Regards.

Yours Sincerely

Handwritten signature of Shailendra Dubey in black ink, written in a cursive style.

Shailendra Dubey
Chairman

CC:

Honourable Group of Ministers of Energy.