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To

The Hon'ble Minister for Power,
Ministry of Power, Government of India,
Shram Shakti Bhawan,
New Delhi - 700001

Subject: Urgent Representation against the introduction of the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2025 – Request for immediate withdrawal.

Respected Sir,

We, the **All-India Electricity Consumers Association (AIECA)**, representing a broad spectrum of electricity consumers across the nation, are writing to express our profound concern and strong opposition to the Government's reported move to introduce the **Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2025** during the current Budget Session of Parliament.

The AIECA finds the provisions of this Bill to be fundamentally anti-consumer. While the Bill is presented under the guise of ensuring "financial viability," it effectively seeks to dismantle the public utility character of the power sector. We wish to highlight the following critical concerns:

- **Violation of the 2003 Act:** The proposed changes contravene the foundational principles of the Electricity Act, 2003, by prioritizing commercial profit over the mandate of universal affordability and consumer protection.
- **Commercialization of an Essential Service:** Electricity is not a luxury commodity; it is a vital necessity for modern life and economic survival. This Bill threatens to transform a public utility into a profit-driven market, favoring high-value corporate interests at the expense of ordinary citizens, farmers, and small-scale consumers.
- **Privatization Risks:** We believe this legislation will accelerate the unregulated privatization of the distribution system, leading to cherry-picking by private players and creating deep financial distress for the common consumer.

We have previously submitted several representations and also voiced our specific objections during the Ministry of Power's meeting on **January 12, 2026**. It is disheartening to see that these concerns remain unaddressed.



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Our Demands: In light of the above, the AIECA urges the Ministry to:

1. **Withdraw and Repeal** the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2025.
2. Initiate transparent, wide-ranging consultations with all primary stakeholders, including State Governments, power sector employees, independent technical experts, and, most importantly, electricity consumer forums.

Energy security and affordability are the rights of every Indian citizen. We trust your good office will act in the interest of the public and refrain from passing legislation that compromises these rights.

Yours sincerely,

K. Venugopal Bhat

General Secretary

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