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## **A Historic Victory for the People of Karnataka!!**

### **KECA Congratulates the Consumers, Farmers and the power sector employees.**

Tata Power Company Limited (TPCL) has been forced to unconditionally withdraw its application for parallel electricity distribution licenses across 19 districts in Karnataka before the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC).

It is a historic victory for the people of Karnataka, dealing a decisive and crushing blow against the backdoor privatization of electricity distribution in our state..

The **Karnataka Electricity Consumers Association (KECA)** extends its deepest gratitude and heartiest congratulations to the Consumers, Farmers and the Power sector employees whose united resistance made this victory possible.

Electricity is not a commercial commodity to be exploited for corporate greed; it is a basic human necessity and an essential public service. It must remain accessible, affordable, and fully accountable to the citizens of the state.

While we celebrate this victory, KECA strongly cautions that the broader struggle to protect our public utilities is far from over. The withdrawal of Tata Power is a major roadblock for private entities, but a massive national threat is looming on the horizon.

The Central Government is aggressively pushing the draconian Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2025, which is slated to be placed before Parliament in the forthcoming Monsoon Session. This bill is nothing short of a comprehensive blueprint for the total privatization of the nation's power sector.

The withdrawal of Tata Power proves that organized public resistance can successfully halt corporate overreach. However, if the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2025 passes in Parliament, it will create an overarching national mandate that overrides state-level protections.

KECA calls upon all consumers, farmers' organizations, trade unions, and civil society groups to maintain absolute vigilance. We must build on the momentum of this victory to launch a nationwide campaign against the Privatisation of Electricity.

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