To

The Addl. Chief Secretary / Principle Secretary / Secretary (Energy/Power) of 32 States / UTs [To whom projects sanctioned under IPDS]

Subject: Identification of assets and installation of sign boards at all sub stations and distribution transformers in towns under IPDS-reg.

Dated: 03/05/2018

Sir

Kindly refer to this PFC's letter dated 28.10.2016 (copies enclosed) whereby it was requested to advise the concerned officers of the Implementing Agencies (DISCOMs/Power Department) to ensure installation of Bill board/ sign boards, as suggested by PFC, at all Sub-stations (new or being augmented under IPDS) and other prominent locations in all the towns where projects are being implemented under IPDS as per the provisions under the Standard Bidding Document (SBD) of IPDS/DDUGJY.

2. All States / UTs need to adopt SBD for procurement of material/equipment and erection works under the scheme for availing financial assistance from GOI and accordingly adhere to all the provisions made in the SBD for identification of assets and installation of sign boards as per the prescribed norms. It may be clarified that the contractors deployed by the States for execution of works under the scheme have to follow all such norms as an integral part of the project execution and the implementing agencies of the States/UTs (Power Deptt. / DISCOMs) need to ensure compliance by all the contractors. The matter has been discussed with all the States/UTs on several occasions during interaction in various review meetings of RPM etc.

3. However, this Ministry has not received any progress, so far in this regard. As intimated earlier, all claims for release of funds, henceforth be submitted to PFC, and should be accompanied with details of all such sign boards, identification marks etc. along with photographs. From April, 2018 onwards, fund release under IPDS, will be restricted by PFC, if the requisite details are not submitted along with the claims.

4. In view of the above, it is once again requested that the concerned implementing agencies of the State (Power Department/DISCOMs) may be advised to adhere to the prescribed guidelines and submit details as indicated above along with their claims to be submitted to PFC. Action taken in this regard and progress made so far may be shared with the Ministry expeditiously.

Yours faithfully,

(C. Thenmoli)
Under Secretary to Govt. of India

i. Copy to CMDs/MDs of all DISCOMs for information and necessary action.

ii. Copy forwarded to CMD, PFC for further necessary action.
02:10: IPDS: III: 2016: Utilities
28 OCT 2016

To,
All MD's/CMD's of Discoms/Power Departments
(As per list)

Sub: Installation of sign boards and engraving of “IPDS” for projects being implemented in urban areas under IPDS

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are kindly aware that IPDS is a priority programme of Govt. of India under which distribution system strengthening works, consumer and system metering, Rooftop solar panels with net metering and IT enablement works are being taken up in urban areas of the country.

Ministry of Power, vide letter dated 28.04.2016 (copy enclosed for reference as Annexure-I) intimated that display of work being done under IPDS is a pro-active measure in transparency and accountability. This pro-active disclosure also helps in monitoring of works by the public at large, who are the ultimate beneficiary of the programme. The subject matter was also discussed during the Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) meetings held on 10.08.2016 and 15.09.2016.

The approved template of Bill board / Sign board to be installed is enclosed at Annexure-II. Other details and specifications are available at Volume-I, Section-VII clause No. “C” of the Standard Bidding Documents (SBD) for IPDS/DDUGJY projects available on IPDS web portal. Further, the SBD also envisages engraving/embossing of the word IPDS on major materials to be procured under the scheme.

You are therefore requested to advise the concerned officers to arrange installation of the Bill boards/ Sign boards at all Sub-stations (new or being augmented under IPDS) and other prominent locations in all the towns where projects are being implemented under IPDS and also ensure engraving/embossing of the word IPDS on major materials to be procured under the scheme.

Thanking you,

Encl.
2) Template of Bill board / Sign board for IPDS

CC: For kind information, please
1) Secretary (Energy), States/UT's
2) JS (Distribution), Ministry of Power, Govt.

Yours sincerely,
(Radhika Jha)