

Status on “Getting Electricity” under “Ease of Doing Business”

- World Bank measures 190 Economics across the world for “Ease of Doing Business” where in “Getting Electricity” is one of the parameters.
- Parameters mainly considered in evaluating ‘Getting Electricity’ for an electricity connection having load requirement of 140KW / 150 KVA on 415V supply are as follows:
 - Time taken to get electricity connection.
 - Cost required for getting a new connection.
 - Procedures required to be completed for getting new connection.
 - Reliability of electricity supply.
- After the concerted efforts India’s rank in ‘Getting Electricity’ has improved from 137th rank in EODB-2015 to 22nd rank in EODB-2020

Present status of India Ranking in “Getting Electricity”

India Ranking	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Participants
Overall	142	134	130	100	77	63	
Getting Electricity	137	70	26	29	24	22	TPDDL, BEST

To cut down on procedures, time taken and cost of new electricity connection significant steps have been taken by Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Power (GoI), Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Department of Industries (GoNCTD), Department of Power (GoNCTD), Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) and DISCOMs in Delhi under Ease of Doing Business Initiatives.

SNo	Action by	Issue	Remark
1	Discoms	Reduction in number of procedures from 3 to 2	Reduction in number of procedures from 3 to 2 by integrating external works and meter installation in a single process on the day of energization of the connection. The two procedures being followed are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Submission of application along with all documents ➤ Field inspection and energisation of connection
2	Discoms	Online Application for New connection	Online service for applying new connection has been developed and available at www.bsesdelhi.com
3	Discoms	Online Acceptance of Demand Note for New Connections	Online service for payment of new connection charges has been developed and available at www.bsesdelhi.com
4	Discoms	Reduction in time for getting a new connection	Internal processes have been strengthened to release connections within timeline stipulated in regulation i.e. 7 Days w/o RoW & 15 days with RoW
4	DERC	Change in Supply Code to facilitate reduction in cost	DERC vide its amendment in Supply Code has notified the reduction in cost. Initially it was Rs 310*140 = Rs 43400/-; Later was revised to Rs 25,000/- in 2017. Now the maximum charges are Rs 15,000/- vide DERC amendment F.17 (230)/Engg./DERC/2018-19/6420 dated 23.10.19
5	DERC	LT Tariff upto 140 kW	Currently 100 to 200 kW load is optional on LT or HT. The tariff up to 140 kW has been notified in Tariff Order dated 23.10.2015.

6	CEA / GOI	Pole mounted transformer capacity needs to be enhanced from 250 KVA to 500 KVA	CEA has notified Central Electricity Authority (Technical Standards for Construction of Electrical Plants and Electric Lines), Amendment Regulation 2014
7	CEA/ GoNCTD	NOC from Electrical Inspector	CEA has notified appropriate amendments in CEA Safety Measures 2010 to empower Appropriate Government to issue notification for Self Certification by consumer/DISCOM. GoNCTD has further notified self certification for DISCOM's installations up to 33 kV in place of current 650 V.
8	GoNCTD/DERC / DISCOMs	Simplification of forms and Self attestation/ declaration & requirement of only two documents	GoNCTD has notified Self declaration in Dec-2015. DERC has notified amendment to supply code for simplifying document requirement to Two. Application form has also been revised accordingly.
9	Discoms	Improvement in SAIFI / SAIDI	As directed by MoP, improvement in SAIDI & SAIFI was recommended.
10	DERC	Utility to accept security deposit in the form of Bank guarantee	In Place as per new DERC Supply Code for applicants having contract demand of 100kW & above
11	GoNCTD/DERC / DISCOMs	Auto name change in case of property mutation.	Integration of online mutation process with utilities "in which transfer of connection shall be done automatically based on inputs received from the sub-registrar office through a web based platform.
12	DERC	Payment of Demand Note for release of electricity connection in first Bill	Zero Upfront charges: Payment of demand note for release of electricity connection in first bill for EODB new connections (100-140 KVA) LT level.
13	GoNCTD	RoW / RCP permissions	Activation of RoW Portal and an SOP with inclusion of major agencies (PWD,MCD,DSIIDC,DDA) and initiation of Dig and Restore Policy