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Press Release

With plans for over 500+ 24 x 7 mass 'power-theft' raids

BSES takes campaign to a new high

- Over 3800 KW of power-theft load unearthed; over 1000 cases booked in the first few days of the campaign itself
- Raids' planned in select areas of South, West, East and Central Delhi
- High-loss clusters identified using modern-day analytics
- Delhi Police personnel accompanying BSES enforcement teams on many of the raids
- Initially the Campaign will be for a 3-month duration

With over 500 mass raids planned over the next three months, BSES Rajdhani Power Limited (BRPL) and BSES Yamuna Power Limited (BYPL) have launched one-of their biggest crack-downs on power-theft in recent times. For increased effectiveness of the drive and to unearth power-theft of various types, the raids are being carried-out literally 24 x 7 - even during late-night, early morning hours and also on Saturdays/Sundays. To begin with, this campaign will continue for a period of three-months and over 150 areas will be targeted across South, West East and Central Delhi.

The intensity and effectiveness of the campaign can be gauged from the fact that in the first few days of the drive alone, over 3,800 KW (BRPL 2341 KW, BYPL 1460 KW) or nearly 4 MW of power theft load has already been unearthed and over 1000 (BRPL 630, BYPL 400) cases booked. And these are the early days of the drive.

Some of the areas where the raids have recently been conducted include: **West Delhi**: Tilak Nagar, Palam, Nangloi, Jaffarpur and Bindapur; **South Delhi**: Munirka, Tigri, Mehrauli, Harkesh Nagar, Gobindpuri, Jamia Nagar and Sangam Vihar, **East and Central Delhi**: Kalyanpuri, New Ashok Nagar, Gazipur Village, Trilokpuri, Raghubar Pura, Gandhi Nagar, Daryaganj,Chooriwalan Chandni Chowk, New Qasabpura Paharganj and Karawal Nagar.

BSES teams often come under attack from the unscrupulous elements, while undertaking such massraids. To protect them, many of the raiding teams are being accompanied by Delhi Police personnel, who are extending full cooperation. Looking at the seriousness of the offence, the Delhi Police has also started registering spot FIR's against power thieves, even arresting them on-the-spot.

To undertake these enforcement raids with greater accuracy, the discoms are relying on modern analytics and technology. For the purpose, energy input data from the over 9,500 Distribution Transformers (DT) is being collated and analysed by a centralized team and power-theft locations narrowed-down significantly.

According to a BSES spokesperson, "It is seen that during the summer months, there is a sharp increase in energy-theft. This, at places leads to severe over-loading of the distribution system (transformers / feeders), resulting in trippings and is also a potential safety hazard. This dangerous over-loading of the distribution system can also damage the distribution equipment. These 500+ mass raids will also assist in checking this menace".



"Simultaneous to these raids, BSES has also been sprucing-up its service lines and undertaking associated work in these targeted areas. It is also facilitating new connections", added the spokesperson.

Since July 2002, BSES discoms have booked over 2.5 lakh cases and unearthed a power theft load of over 7.65 lakh KW. BSES appeals to its consumers to report power-theft on 399 99 707 (BRPL) and 399 99 808 (BYPL). Their identity as always will be kept confidential

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