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Measures to Reduce Electricity Wastage

The electricity supply in the country is severely compromised due to fuel supply issues stemming from the foreign exchange shortage. Maintaining a continuous electricity supply had become a challenge during the last couple of months causing severe hardships to people and also caused a severe blow to the manufacturing industries and service sectors, further aggravating the economic situation of the country.

Irrespective of these realities, it is observed that electricity is used by the commercial establishments for advertising purposes as well as for aesthetic purposes even during the peak demand periods falling in between 1800-2100hrs. These acts include the lighting of neon and LED signboards, flood lighting of printed hoardings, digital hoardings and aesthetic illumination of building facades etc. Many retailers of lighting equipment and luminaires have also continued to light up their showrooms with a large number of lighting devises as a means of attractive customers. It is also observed that many places of religious worship are also continuing to illuminate buildings and perimeter structures using a large number of electric lamps. In certain instances these wasteful practices are carried out throughout the night time.

It has become necessary to curtail this energy wastage until a considerable improvement in the electricity supply is ensured. Measures listed below will help to reduce curtailment of electricity supply, saving valuable electrical energy for future use.

- 1. Refrain from using of electricity supplied by the national grid to illuminate signboards, neon and LED signage, digital and printed hoardings until further notice.
- 2. Refrain from using of electricity supplied by the national grid to illuminate building facades and all other forms of aesthetic illumination other than security lighting until further notice.

We earnestly request you to save the national wealth of the country at this difficult juncture by strictly following these guidelines.

Chairman

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