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- Electrical services is a mode which provides us the electricity that is required by us to run electrical appliances, in industries to provide electricity to run the machineries, in commercial places to run the mechanical services.
- <u>USE OF ELECTRICITY –</u>
- Residential Building Lights, fans, Heaters, Television, Refrigerators etc.
- Industrial Buildings Machineries, Welding, Electroplating, etc.
- Commercial Building Lifts, Escalators, alarm, systems, advertising display etc.
- <u>AMPERE</u> When charge of 1 columbo passes through a point in 1 Second it is said that a current of 1 Ampere is flowing.
- INSULATOR Material which greatly oppose the current flow i.e., do not allow the current to pass through it are called Insulators.
- <u>DOMESTIC ELECTRIC SUPPLY</u> The power supplied to the houses in two different phases depending upon the need of electricity. First is single phase supply having 240V current at 50Hz and other is three phase supply having a voltage 420/240V at 50Hz.



- <u>ELECTRIC CURRENT</u> The current is defined as the rate of flow of charges across any cross-sectional area of a conductor.
- <u>DRIFT VELOCITY</u> It is defined as the velocity with which the free electrons get drifted towards the positive terminal, when an electric field is applied.
- <u>OHM'S LAW</u> At a constant temperature, the steady current flowing through a conductor is directly proportional to the potential difference between the two ends of the conductor.

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- V Voltage, I Current
- The opposition that a material presents to the flow of electrical charges is called resistance. The unit for Electrical resistance is Ohm (Ω).
- An increase in the Voltage causes an increase in current. A decrease in voltage will cause decrease in current, if the resistance remains the same.
- The current (I) drawn from a power source by a conductor will depend on the voltage (V) of the power source, and on the properties of the conductor.
- The ratio between 'V' and 'I' is called the resistance of that conductor. The SI unit of resistance 'R' is the Ohm, whose symbol is

   (Ω).
   **R-Resistance**

 $R = \frac{V}{I}$  or  $V = I \cdot R$ 

R-Resistance V-Voltage I-Current

• The intensity of the power source is called Voltage, or the potential difference between the electrodes.

- <u>CONDUCTOR</u> In electricity, a conductor is a material that allows the flow of electric charge. Conduction occurs when charged particles, such as electrons, move through a conductor in response to an electric field. Conductors typically have loosely bound electrons that are free to move within the material.
- <u>METER</u> A meter refers to an instrument or device used to measure various electrical quantities. The most common type of meter used in households is the electricity meter, which measures the amount of electrical energy consumed by a household or building over a given period, usually in kilowatt-hours (kWh).
- <u>CIRCUIT BREAKER</u> A circuit breaker is a protective device designed to automatically interrupt electrical power flow in a circuit in the event of an overload, short circuit, or other fault condition. The primary purpose of a circuit breaker is to prevent damage to electrical equipment, minimize the risk of fire, and protect against electrical hazards such as electric shock.
- <u>FUSE</u> A fuse is a protective device designed to interrupt the flow of electric current in a circuit when the current exceeds a predetermined value, thereby preventing damage to the circuit components or potential hazards such as fires.
- <u>CIRCUITS</u> In the realm of electricity, a circuit refers to a closed loop through which an electric current can flow. It consists of various electrical components connected by conductive wires. These components can include power sources (such as batteries or generators), resistors, capacitors, inductors, switches, and various types of loads (such as light bulbs, motors, or electronic devices).



• FREQUENCY - Frequency is the number of times an alternating current (AC) switches between positive and negative in one second. It is measured in hertz (Hz), where 1 hertz is equal to 1 cycle per second.

## DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC SUPPLY/ ELECTRIC CURRENT INSIDE THE BUILDINGS -

The distribution of electric supply or electric current inside buildings involves several key components and considerations to ensure safe and efficient delivery of electricity to various electrical loads. Here's an overview of the typical components and practices involved:

### 1. <u>Main Service Entrance:</u>

- The electric supply enters the building through the main service entrance, usually located on the exterior wall.
- It consists of the service entrance conductors, meter, and main service disconnect switch or circuit breaker.

#### **<u>2. Distribution Panel (Main Panel):</u>**

- The main panel, also known as the distribution panel or breaker box, receives the electric supply from the main service entrance.
- It houses circuit breakers or fuses that control the flow of electricity to different circuits within the building. Circuit breakers or fuses protect the wiring and electrical devices from overload or short circuits.

#### **<u>3. Branch Circuits:</u>**

- Branch circuits distribute electric current from the main panel to various areas or rooms within the building.
- Each branch circuit is protected by a circuit breaker or fuse and serves specific electrical loads, such as lighting, outlets, or appliances.

#### 4. Wiring:

- Electrical wiring, typically made of copper or aluminum conductors, carries electric current from the main panel to outlets, switches, and fixtures.
- Wiring is installed inside walls, ceilings, and floors using conduit, cable trays, or raceways to protect it from damage and maintain compliance with building codes.

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#### **5. Outlets and Receptacles:**

- Outlets, also known as receptacles, provide access to electric power for devices and appliances.
- They are installed at convenient locations throughout the building and are connected to branch circuits.

#### **6. Switches and Controls:**

- Switches control the flow of electric current to lighting fixtures, fans, and other devices.
- They are installed at room entrances, on walls, or on fixtures themselves for convenient operation.

#### 7. Special Circuits:

- Some electrical loads require dedicated circuits, such as those for large appliances (e.g., refrigerators, electric ranges) or high-power equipment (e.g., air conditioners, electric heaters).
- These special circuits have their own circuit breakers or fuses and wiring to accommodate the specific requirements of the load.

#### **8. Grounding and Bonding:**

- Grounding and bonding systems ensure electrical safety by providing a path for fault currents to return to the source and by maintaining equipment and enclosure continuity.
- Bonding involves connecting non-current-carrying metallic parts to ensure they have the same electrical potential, reducing the risk of electric shock and fire hazards. It creates a continuous, low-resistance path for fault currents to return to the source, preventing potential differences and arcing. Bonding is crucial for safety and system integrity.

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#### 9. Safety Devices:

- Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) and Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters (AFCIs) are installed to enhance electrical safety by detecting and interrupting abnormal conditions that could lead to electric shock or fire.
- These devices are required in certain areas of the building, such as kitchens, bathrooms, outdoor outlets, and bedrooms.

#### **10. Load Management:**

- Proper load distribution and management ensure that electrical circuits are not overloaded and that the electrical system operates efficiently.
- Load calculations are performed to determine the appropriate size of wiring, circuit breakers, and other components based on the expected electrical demand.

#### **<u>11. Emergency and Backup Power:</u>**

• Emergency and backup power systems, such as generators or uninterruptible power supplies (UPS), provide electricity during power outages to critical loads, such as emergency lighting, medical equipment, or communication systems.

When designing and installing the electrical distribution system inside buildings, it's essential to follow electrical codes and standards, conduct proper load calculations, and ensure compliance with safety requirements to protect occupants and property from electrical hazards. Additionally, periodic inspections and maintenance are necessary to keep the electrical system in optimal condition and prevent potential issues.

• <u>TRANSFORMER</u> – An electrical transformer is a device that moves electrical energy from one circuit to another without changing its frequency or power. Transformers can increase or decrease voltage levels, also known as "stepping up" or "stepping down". They are used to improve the safety and efficiency of electric power systems.



- <u>AC CURRENT</u> Alternating current (AC) is a type of electrical current that reverses direction and changes its magnitude at regular intervals. AC is the form of current that is mostly used in different appliances, such as audio signals and radio signals. Ex-fans, bulbs, air conditioners, and motors.
- <u>DC CURRENT</u> Direct current (DC) is an electric current that is uni-directional, so the flow of charge is always in the same direction. As opposed to alternating current, the direction and amperage of direct currents do not change. It is used in many household electronics and in all devices that use batteries. Ex-mobile battery, laptop battery, solar panels and Power banks.
- <u>RESISTORS</u> A resistor is an electrical component that limits or regulates the flow of electrical current in an electronic circuit. Resistors can also be used to provide a specific voltage for an active device such as a transistor.

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- <u>CAPACITOR</u> A capacitor is a two-terminal electrical device that can store energy in the form of an electric charge. It consists of two electrical conductors that are separated by a distance. The space between the conductors may be filled by vacuum or with an insulating material known as a dielectric.
- <u>VOLTAGE</u> Electrical Voltage is the pressure from an electrical circuit's power source that pushes charged electrons (current) through a conducting loop, enabling them to do work such as illuminating a light. In brief, voltage = pressure, and it is measured in volts (V)
- <u>GENERATORS</u> Electric generators, also known as dynamos is an electric machine that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy. The electric generator's mechanical energy is usually provided by steam turbines, gas turbines, and wind turbines.
- <u>PANELBOARD</u> A panelboard is a component of an electrical distribution system which divides an electrical power feed into branch circuits, while providing a protective circuit breaker or fuse for each circuit, in a common enclosure.
- <u>LOW TENSION PANEL</u> LT Panels are used with low tension cables to obtain power from the generator or transformer and distribute electricity to various electrical devices and distribution boards. LT panels are designed to function at lower voltages (up to 690/1KV Volts) with low insulation levels.
- <u>HIGH TENSION PANEL</u> A high-tension cable carries more than 1000 Volts between conductors and 600 Volts between conductors and ground. You need very high voltage for transmission on high-tension power lines.
- <u>OVERHEAD DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM</u> The traditional method of distributing electricity to customers has been on wires attached to poles high above the ground, referred to as overhead distribution. Transformers and other equipment in the overhead system are mounted on poles or other supporting structures.
- <u>UNDERGROUND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM</u> The configuration of an underground power system is usually standard and consists of cables, connectors, and fasteners. Underground cables, in turn, have various components, such as a conductor, sheath, insulation system, and others. They can be of low voltage (up to 1000 V) but can reach as high as 132 kV.



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- <u>MINIATURE CIRCUIT BOARD (MCB)</u> MCB is a device that is used to break the circuit at the time of excess of current and protects the device from the appliances from the damage.
- <u>ECLB</u> Earth leakage circuit breaker is a device, which breaks the circuit at the time of excess of current and protects the device from the appliances from the damage.
- <u>RCCB</u> Residual current circuit breaker is a circuit breaker that breaks the circuit when there is imbalance of current between the live and the neutral wire this imbalance can be due to current leakage.

### 1. WOODEN CASING AND CAPPING WIRING –

- Such wiring is carried out in grooves of wooden casing. The casing is made of season teak wood and is used in rectangular blocks having a number of grooves equal to the number of wires. After the conductors are fixed in the grooves of casing, they are covered in teak wood capping of rectangular blocks having the same width as that of the casing.
- Such type of wiring is used for voltage for 250V. It is necessary to safeguard it against dampness and risk of fire. Such type of wiring is inexpensive and easy to install and repair. However the appearance that gives is very shabby.



Wooden Casing and Capping Wiring

### 2. CTS (CABTYRE SHEATHED WIRE) –

- Such type of wiring is used in residence, cabtyre sheathed wire is used as the conductor. These wire runs in teak wood battens which in turn are fixed on the walls or ceilings by means of screws and wooden plugs.
- Such wire are not much affected by chemicals and steam. They have a better appearance compared to the wooden capping and wiring. Also, they have a longer life with less risk of life.





### <u> 3. CLEAT WIRING –</u>

• Such type of wiring is used for temporary connections. E.g., for functions, marriages etc. Here vulcanized Indian rubber (VIR) or Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) insulated wire is used as a conductors. These wire run on the walls and ceiling with the help of porcelain cleats. These are grooves provided on the cleat base to accommodate the wire. Once the wire are run into the cleat base, the cap of the cleat is placed over it.



### <u>4. LEAD SHEATHED WIRING –</u>

- The conductor used here are insulated with vulcanized Indian rubber. Then, an outer shed made of lead-aluminum alloy containing 95% lead and 5% aluminum is used to cover the insulated conductor. This sheet protects the wiring from mechanical injury, atmosphere action and dampness.
- The overall cost of the cable is very high. It is used only in low voltage installations.



### <u>5. CONDUIT WIRING –</u>

- The conductor used here are insulated with Polyvinyl Chloride or vulcanized Indian rubber. They are then carried in middle steel tubes commonly called conduits. These conduits are then installed on the walls surfaced or concealed in the wall or ceilings. They are concealed inside the plaster of the walls and hence the appearance of the house or the building remains unaffected.
- Such a type of wiring is considered best for domestic and commercial installation. It provides protections against fire hazards, mechanical damage, dampness and shocks. This type of installation has a long life. It is costliest wiring system.



## **PVC CASING AND CAPPING -**

- Casing and capping were famous wiring systems in the past.
- Its shape is like a rectangular strip.
- Grooves are made on the surface of casing.
- It is available in two way and three-way design.
- VIR (Vulcanized Indian rubber) and PVC (Poly vinyl chloride) pipes are used.
- The capping is fitted on the casing and screwed.

## **PVC CASING AND CAPPING WIRING SYSTEM -**

- Available of size 1.5" or 30mm in width 5/8" or 16mm thickness.
- The width of the groove of casing is 6mm.
- Casing and capping is available in sizes of 4,51,64,76,89,102mm.
- It can be installed in both vertical and horizontal position.
- Different joints are used such as I-joint, L-joint, Bridge joint.
- Life period is about 20 years approximately.
- Casing is a PVC Rectangular installing on the wall.
- All cables are inserted in the casing and then fitted in capping.

## **ADVANTAGES OF PVC CASING CAPPING -**

- This wiring system is cheap and durable.
- There is no risk of electric shock because all cables are covered.
- The installation of the wiring system is easy.
- The customizations are possible in the casing capping.
- It is cheaper as compared to steel conduit and sheathed wiring system.
- There is no risk of mechanical shock.

## **DISADVANTAGES OF PVC CASING CAPPING -**

- The humidity is directly affected on the casing and capping.
- Fault finding process is difficult.
- The initial cost of the system is high; therefore, it is expensive.
- It can be used up to 220V.
- There is a high risk of fire in casing and capping wiring system.
- Not suitable in the acidic, alkalis and humidity conditions.
- Costly repairing and need more material.

# **PRECAUTIONS OF CASING CAPPING -**

- Always use porcelain tube or conduit when cables are passing through the walls.
- Do not insert the phase wire and neural wire in the same groove.
- Always use the porcelain cleat or washel.
- Fit the capping on the casing tightly and screwed.

## **DOMESTIC WIRING** -

- 1. Cut out (main fuse) on customers premises.
- 2. Meters, maximum demand indicators and other apparatus on consumer premises.
- 3. Weather proof wire for service connection with sufficient current carrying capacity.
- 4. All conductor/wire should be safe in all term of voltage rating with proper insulation.
- 5. Every line or phase should be protected by suitable rating fuse.
- 6. In metal conduit wiring metal conduit pipe should be compulsorily earthed.
- 7. Each load point and appliances should be an independent control switch.
- 8. In any building. The wiring installation, there must be separate sub circuits for light/fan/ pin socket load and for 3 pin socket 15Amp per load.
- 9. In any light/fan the number of load points connected in one sub circuit should be less than 10
- 10. In any power sub circuit, the maximum circuit should not be more than 3000 watts and the number of power point should be up to 2 only.
- 11. The rating of fuse in any circuit should not be less than half the capacity of the lowest size cable. In any sub-circuit the fuse rating should not be more than 5amp.

## **DOMESTIC WIRING** -

12. The earthed terminals of all 3 pin sockets outlets and plugs should be permanently connected to the earth wire.

13. Sufficient number of 3 pin sockets outlets should be provided at suitable places in all rooms of the building.

14. In the bath rooms, The 3 pin sockets should be at a height of not less than 1.5m.

15. All ceiling fans are to be hung 2.75m above the floor level.

16. In the domestic wiring each wire should be of 14 SWG GI (Standard Wire Gauge, Galvanized Iron)for single phase supply and for 3 phase supply system earth wire must be of 8 SWG GI

17. When the covered area in the building complex is more than 5000m.Sq and the total load is more than 1000KVA (Kilo Volt Amps). The separate sub station is required to be installed.

### **DOMESTIC WIRING** -







- The part of power system which distributes electrical power for local use is known as DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.
- This system is the electrical system between the substation fed by the transmission system and consumer meter.
- Distribution line generally consist of -
- 1. Feeders
- 2. Distributors
- 3. Service mains



### 1. <u>Feeders –</u>

- A feeder is conductor which connects the substation to the area where power is to be distributed.
- Feeder are used to feed the electrical power from the generating station to the substation.
- No tapping's are taken from the feeder.
- So, the current in it remains the same throughout.
- Main consideration in the design of feeder is the current carrying capacity.
- 2. <u>Distributer –</u>
- A Distributer is a conductor from which tapping's are taken from pole mounted transformer to the consumer.
- The current through a distributer is not constant because tapings are taken at various places along its length.
- Voltage drop is main consideration
- Limit of variation is 6% of rate at consumer.
- 3. <u>Service Mains –</u>
- A Service Mains is a generally a small cable which connects the distributor to the consumer's meter.
- The connecting links between the distributor and the consumer terminals.

- Distribution system is a part of power system existing between distribution substations and consumers.
- It is further classified on the basis of voltage
- \*Primary distribution system 11KV or 6.6KV or 3.3KV
- \*Secondary distribution system -415V or 230V

It can be classified under different considerations as -

- 1. <u>Types of current:</u>
- a) AC Distribution system
- b) DC Distribution system
- 2. <u>Types of System:</u>
- a) Overhead system
- b) Underground system
- 3. <u>Types of Service:</u>
- a) General lighting and power
- b) Industrial power
- c) Railway
- d) Streetlight etc.

### 4. Number of wires:

- a) Two wire
- b) Three wire
- c) Four wire
- 5. <u>Scheme of connection:</u>
- a) Radial Distribution system
- b) Ring or Loop Distribution system
- c) Interconnected Distribution system

### AC DISTRIBUTION -

• AC Distribution system is the electrical system between the step-down substation fed by the transmission system and the consumers meters. The AC Distribution system is classified into –

i) Primary Distribution system -

- Voltages somewhat higher than general utilization and handles large blocks of electrical energy than the average low-voltage consumer uses.
- Commonly used primary distribution voltage 11KV, 6.6KV, 3.3KV.
- Electric power from the generating station is transmitted at high voltage to the substation located in or near the city.
- At this substation, voltage is stepped down to 11kV with the help of step-down transformer (used to reduce AC or DC Voltage).
- Power is supplied to various substations for distribution or to big consumers at this voltage.
- This forms the high voltage distribution or primary distribution.

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### <u>AC DISTRIBUTION –</u>

ii) Secondary Distribution system -

- It is that part of AC distribution system which includes the range of voltages at which ultimate consumer utilizes the electrical energy delivered to it.
- The Secondary Distribution employs 400/230V, 3-Phase, 4-wire system.

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### DC DISTRIBUTION -

- DC Supply is required for the operation of variable speed machinery (i.e., DC motors) for electro-chemical work and for congested areas where storage battery reserves are necessary.
- For this purpose, AC power is converted into DC power at the substation by using converting machinery e.g., mercury arc rectifiers and motor-generators sets.

### ii) 3 wire DC Generator distribution -

- Consists of a standard 2 wire machine with one or two coils of high reactance and low resistance that connected to opposite points of the armature winding.
- Neutral wire is obtained from common point.

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#### **CONNECTION SCHEMES OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM -**

- 1. Radial system
- Separate feeders radiate from a single substation and feed the distributors at one end only.
- Only one path is connected between each customer and substation.
- Electrical power flows along a single path.
- If interrupted, results in complete loss of power to the customer.

#### ADVANTAGES-

- Low cost
- Simple planning

#### DISADVANTAGES -

- The radial system is employed only when power is generated at low voltage and the substation is located at the center of the load.
- Distributor nearer to feeding end is heavily loaded.
- Consumers at far end of feeder would be subjected to serious voltage fluctuations.



#### **CONNECTION SCHEMES OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM -**

1. Radial system



#### **CONNECTION SCHEMES OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM -**

- 2. Ring or Loop Distribution system -
- It consists of two or more paths between power sources and the customer.
- The loop circuit starts from the substation bus-bars, makes a loop through the area to be served, and returns to the substation.

#### ADVANTAGES-

- Less conduct or material is required.
- Less voltage fluctuations
- More reliable

DISADVANTAGES -

• It is difficult to design as compared to the design of radial system.



#### **CONNECTION SCHEMES OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM -**

- 3. Interconnected Distribution system -
- It is supplied by a number of feeders
- Radial primary feeders can be tapped off from the interconnecting tie feeders.
- They can also serve directly from the substation.

#### ADVANTAGES-

- Increases the reliability of supply
- Losses are less
- Quality of service is improved.

#### DISADVANTAGES -

- Its initial cost is more
- Difficult in planning, design and operation.



### **ELECTRIFICATION** -

- The process of powering by electricity
- Usually associated with changing over from another power source.
- Wind turbine, hydroelectricity, geothermal energy and solar energy are main power sources for electricity generation.



### **ELECTRIFICATION** -

#### a) LIGHTING –

- Consume electrical energy and deliver light energy.
- Examples of sources are CFL, Tube light etc.

b) HEATING -

- Mechanical power=70% of electrical input.
- Used in ovens, pumps, air conditioners, irons, lifts.

c) ELECTRONICS -

- Science of converting light, sound, etc. into electrical signal and modifying these signals.
- Electronics devices operated by using electricity.

### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM** -

- Fix the size through survey of the load requirements.
- Done by planning of distribution and sub-distribution system.
- Electricity is fed into the appliances compromises lying of cables and conductors, distribution boards, switches and installing of protective system.
- a) CONCEALED WIRING Channels in walls and ceilings during construction. Conduit pipes fixed on channel.



b) SURFACE WIRING – Run over walls or under ceilings. PVC Channels to cover wires.



## **PROCESS OF ELECTRIFICATION** -

Electrification refers to the process of converting a system, community, or infrastructure to use electricity as its primary power source. The process typically involves several steps:

**1.Assessment and Planning:** This step involves assessing the current energy infrastructure, determining the feasibility of electrification, and creating a comprehensive plan for the transition. Factors such as energy demand, existing infrastructure, potential sources of electricity, and environmental impact are considered during this phase.

**2.Infrastructure Development:** Once the plan is in place, infrastructure development begins. This includes the installation of electrical grids, power plants, substations, transformers, and distribution lines necessary to supply electricity to the area or system being electrified.

**3.Electrical Generation:** Electricity can be generated from various sources such as coal, natural gas, nuclear power, hydroelectric dams, wind turbines, solar panels, and geothermal plants. The choice of generation depends on factors such as availability, cost, environmental impact, and local regulations.

**4.Transmission and Distribution:** After electricity is generated, it needs to be transmitted and distributed to end-users. Transmission lines carry high-voltage electricity over long distances from power plants to substations, where voltage is reduced for distribution through lower-voltage lines to homes, businesses, and other consumers.

**5.End-Use Conversion:** Electrification often involves converting existing systems that use other forms of energy (such as gas or diesel) to electric-powered alternatives. This can include electric vehicles (EVs), electric heating systems, electric appliances, and electric machinery.

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**6.Regulatory and Policy Implementation:** Governments and regulatory bodies play a crucial role in promoting and overseeing the electrification process. They may implement policies, regulations, incentives, and standards to encourage the adoption of electric technologies and ensure the safety, reliability, and efficiency of the electrical infrastructure.

**7.Education and Awareness:** Educating the public about the benefits of electrification, energy conservation, and the use of electric technologies is essential for widespread adoption. Awareness campaigns, incentives for consumers and businesses, and outreach programs can help promote understanding and acceptance of electrification initiatives.

**8.Maintenance and Upkeep:** Once electrification is complete, ongoing maintenance and upkeep of electrical infrastructure are necessary to ensure reliability and safety. This includes regular inspections, repairs, upgrades, and investments in modernization to meet evolving energy needs and technological advancements.

Overall, electrification is a complex process that involves careful planning, investment, coordination, and collaboration among various stakeholders to achieve sustainable, reliable, and affordable energy solutions.



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Earthing is the process of connecting the appliances to the ground so that any unforeseen current such as leakages is transmitted to the earth. The purpose of the earthing is to protect the people from the electric shock.

#### WHY EARTHING IS REQUIRED?

Earthing system is an essential part of power networks at both high and low voltage levels. A good earthing system is required for -

- Protection of buildings and installations against lighting
- Safety of human and animal life by limiting touch and step voltages to safe values
- Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) i.e., limitation of electromagnetic disturbances
- Correct operation of the electricity supply network and to ensure good power quality.
- It provides an alternative path for the fault current to flow that it will not endanger the user.
- Ensure that all exposed conductive parts do not reach a dangerous potential.
- Maintain the voltage at any part of an electrical system at a known value so as to prevent over current or excessive voltage on the appliances or equipment.

#### QUALITIES OF GOOD EARTHING -

- Must be of low electrical resistance
- Must be of good corrosion resistance
- Must be able to dissipate high fault current repeatedly

#### METHODS OF EARTHING -

- Conventional earthing
- Maintenance free earthing

#### CONVENTIONAL METHODS OF EARTHING -

I Off. Utility Ground Rod

- The Conventional system of Earthing calls for digging of a large pit into which a GI Pipe or a copper plate is positioned in the middle layers of charcoal and salt.
- It requires maintenance and pouring of water at regular intervals.
- 1. GI Plate Earthing
- 2. GI Pipe Earthing

- 1. GI Plate Earthing –
- In this method a copper plate of 60cm x 60cm x 3.18cm or a GI Plate of the size 60cm x 60cm x 6.35cm is used for earthing.
- The plate is placed vertically down inside the ground at a depth of 3m and is embedded in alternate layers of cool and salt for a thickness of 15cm.
- In addition, water is poured for keeping the earth electrode resistance value well below a maximum of 50hms (heavy mechanical strength)
- The earth wire is securely bolted to the earth plate.
- A cement masonry chamber is built with a coast iron cover for easy regular maintenance.



- 2. GI Pipe Earthing –
- Earth electrode made of a GI (galvanized) iron pipe of 38mm in diameter and length of 2m (depending on the current) with 12mm holes on the surface is placed upright at a depth of 4.75m in a permanently wet ground.
- To keep the value of the earth resistance at the desired level, the area (15cms) surrounding the GI Pipe is filled with a mixture of salt and coal.
- The efficiency of the earthing system is improved by pouring water through the funnel periodically.
- The GI Earth wires of sufficient cross-sectional area are run through a 12.7mm diameter pipe and secured tightly at the top.



SYSTEM CLASSIFICATION -

- 1. TT System
- 2. TN-S System
- 3. TN-C-S System
- 4. TN-C System
- 5. IT System

- The first letter indicates type of supply earthing. T-Indicates that one or more points of the supply are directly earthed (for example, the earthed neutral at the transformer)
- I-Indicates either that the supply system is not earthed at all, or that the earthing includes a deliberately-inserted impedance, the purpose of which is to limit fault current. This method is not used for public supplies in the UK.
- The second letter indicates the earthing arrangement in the installation.
- T-all exposed conductive metal work is connected directly to earth.
- N-all exposed conductive metalwork is connected directly an earthed supply conductor provided by the electricity supply company.
- The third and fourth letters indicate the arrangement of the earthed supply conductor system.
- S-Neutral and earth conductor systems are quite separate.
- C-neutral and earth are combined into a single conductor.

#### TYPES OF EARTHING SYSTEM -

In industrial installations, where both electrical and instrumentation equipment are incorporated and installed, three types of earthing system are -

- 1. Electrical earthing system
- 2. Industrial earthing system
- 3. Lighting earthing system

#### INTRODUCTION TO PROTECTIVE DEVICES IN ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION -

- Electricity is the most common form of energy that is used by man in his premises.
- It is benefited to us as a source of lighting and power.
- Electricity could be dangerous through misuse and handling as it could cause harm to the consumer.
- If the electricity passes through a human body, the person will suffer electric shock and burns.
- It could also cost damage to properties.

#### CAUSES OF ELECTRICAL ACCIDENTS -

The main causes of electrical accidents are -

- Lack of maintenance
- Failure or lack of earthing
- Unsafe and carelessness operating procedures
- Electrical wiring and equipment's physical form could have been damaged
- Incorrectly connected wires and other mistakes are usually caused by ignorance or negligence.

#### ELECTRIC SHOCK -

- There are two possible ways one can get electric shock. They are –
- 1. Direct contact
- 2. Indirect contact
- The severity of an electric shock is determined by the amount of current flowing through the body.
- The effects of the electric shock can be very dangerous.
- Here are the results –
- $\checkmark$  ~1mA 2mA no harmful effects
- ✓ ~5mA 10mA painful and burning sensation
- $\checkmark$  ~10mA 15mA muscular contraction
- $\checkmark$  ~20mA 30mA impairs breathing or having breathing difficulties
- $\checkmark$  ~40mA and above ventricular fibrillation or death

#### THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF FAULTS IN DOMESTIC SYSTEM -

- The short circuit faults (phase to neutral faults) as a result of which large currents will flow and damage may occur to wires, insulators, switches, etc., due to over heating.
- Insulation failure (fault between the phase conductor and non-current carrying metallic parts) of an electrical equipment

   as a result of which high voltages may appear on the frames of equipment and may be dangerous to a person coming
   in contact with it.

#### NEED FOR THE PROTECTIVE DEVICES -

- All electrical wiring systems and all electrical apparatus associated with wiring must be protected to –
- a) Prevent damage by fire or shock
- b) Maintain continuity of the supply
- c) Disconnect faulty apparatus from the remainder of the system
- d) Prevent damage to wiring and equipment
- e) Minimize the system interruptions under fault conditions.

- All the electrical circuits must be protected against over current therefore a protective device has to be installed in order to isolate the fault from the supply so as to protect the equipment and appliances from being damaged.
- Over current is caused by -

1	Short circuit	Two or more live conductors touching each other
2	Overload	Adding loads greater than that of the rated value
3	Earth fault	A phase conductor touching the protective conductor by means of direct or indirect contact

#### FEATURES OF PROTECTIVE DEVICES -

- Protective equipment must possess the following features –
- a) Certainly and reliability of operation under fault conditions and non-operation under normal conditions
- b) Discrimination
- c) Rapidity of operation
- d) Simplicity, low initial and maintenance cost.
- e) Easy adjustment and testing.

#### POPULAR METHODS OF PROTECTION -

- i. Use of fuses or circuit breakers (such as the Miniature Circuit Breaker MCB)
- ii. Surge Protection Device (SPD)
- iii. Earthing or grounding of equipment.

FUSE -

- Fuses are the earliest means of protection against over currents in circuits.
- Basically, the fuse consists of a short length of suitable material (Often a thin wire)
- When the current flow is greater than the fusing current of the fuse, it will get hot and burn (melt), thus interrupting the fault current before damage could be caused.
- The size of the wire is designed to early indefinitely the normal circuit current (rated current) and usually designed to fuse (melt/burn) at about 1.7 times the rated current carrying capacity.
- They have inverse time characteristics as shown in figure accordingly, the operation of the fuse is faster when the fault current is larger.



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(MCB) MINIATURE CIRCUIT BREAKER -

- You can find the MCB in consumer units (CU) THE ADVANTAGES OF MCB ARE –
- 1. Shorter tripping time
- 2. Can be reused
- 3. Easy to reset
- 4. Has a switch that can isolate the equipment.

#### THE DISADVANTAGES OF MCB ARE –

- 1. The most expensive protection device for home use.
- 2. Slow tripping time due to aging
- 3. Surrounding temperature may affect the MCB



Magnetic mechanism



Thermal mechanism



ELCB (EARTH LEAKAGE CIRCUIT BREAKER) -

- An ELCB (Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker) is a safety device used in electrical installations to detect and interrupt electrical faults such as earth leakage currents. It operates by comparing the current entering the circuit with the current leaving the circuit. If there's a difference between these two currents, it implies that some current is leaking to earth, possibly through a fault in the circuit or insulation breakdown.
- There are two main types of ELCBs:

**1.Voltage-Operated ELCB (VO-ELCB):** These devices operate by comparing the incoming and outgoing voltages in the circuit. If there's a voltage imbalance, it suggests a fault, and the ELCB disconnects the circuit.

**2.Current-Operated ELCB (CO-ELCB):** These devices detect the difference between the currents entering and leaving the circuit. If the difference exceeds a certain threshold, it indicates a fault, and the ELCB trips to disconnect the circuit.

Modern installations often use residual-current devices (RCDs) instead of traditional ELCBs. RCDs are more sensitive and can detect smaller leakage currents. They are also faster in disconnecting the circuit in case of a fault, providing better protection against electric shock.





### **LIGHTENING ARRESTOR -**

- A lightning arrester, also known as a lightning diverter or surge arrester, is a device used to protect electrical equipment from damage caused by lightning strikes or electrical surges. It works by providing a low-resistance path to ground for the excess electrical energy generated during a lightning strike or power surge, thereby diverting it away from the sensitive equipment.
- There are various types of lightning arresters, including:
- **1.** Rod or Air Terminal: These are metal rods or points placed at the highest points of a structure to attract lightning strikes. They channel the lightning energy safely to the ground.
- 2. Surge Arresters: These are devices installed in electrical systems to protect against voltage spikes and surges caused by lightning or other sources. They can be installed at various points in the electrical system, such as at the service entrance, distribution panels, or directly on sensitive equipment.
- **3.** Gas Discharge Tubes: These contain a gas mixture that ionizes and provides a low-impedance path to ground when a high voltage surge occurs. They are commonly used in telecommunications and data transmission systems.
- 4. Metal Oxide Varistors (MOVs): These are semiconductor devices that have a high resistance under normal operating conditions but rapidly become conductive when subjected to a voltage surge. They are commonly used in consumer electronics and power distribution systems.

Lightning arresters are crucial for protecting infrastructure, buildings, and electronic equipment from the destructive effects of lightning strikes and power surges. They help to prevent damage, downtime, and potential hazards associated with electrical disturbances

#### LIGHTENING ARRESTOR -





## **LIGHTING CIRCUIT** -

- Lighting circuits are electrical circuits designed to power light fixtures in buildings, homes, or outdoor areas. These circuits typically consist of wires, switches, and light fixtures. Here's a basic overview:
- **Power Source**: Lighting circuits are connected to a power source, typically the electrical panel in a building, which supplies electricity to the circuit.
- Wiring: The circuit is made up of wires that carry electrical current from the power source to the light fixtures. These wires are usually made of copper and are insulated to prevent electrical shock.
- **Switches**: Switches are installed in the circuit to control the flow of electricity to the light fixtures. They can be simple on/off switches or more complex dimmer switches that allow you to adjust the brightness of the lights.
- Light Fixtures: Light fixtures are connected to the circuit and contain bulbs or lamps that produce light when electricity flows through them. These fixtures can vary in design and function depending on the specific lighting needs of the space.
- **Circuit Protection**: Lighting circuits are typically protected by circuit breakers or fuses to prevent overloading and electrical fires. These devices automatically shut off the flow of electricity if the circuit becomes overloaded or if there is a short circuit.

When designing or working with lighting circuits, it's important to follow electrical codes and safety guidelines to ensure proper installation and operation. It's also crucial to use the appropriate wire gauge, switches, and fixtures for the intended application to prevent electrical hazards

### ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT SYMBOLS



POWER CIRCUIT -

- Power circuits are the backbone of electrical systems, responsible for delivering electricity efficiently and safely to various devices and appliances. These circuits typically consist of components like wires, switches, fuses, circuit breakers, and outlets. Here's a breakdown of some key components and concepts related to power circuits:
- Wires: These are conductive materials (usually copper) that carry electrical current from one point to another within the circuit. Wires come in different gauges (thicknesses) depending on the amount of current they need to carry.



• Switches: Switches are devices used to control the flow of electricity within a circuit. They can be simple on/off switches or more complex devices like dimmer switches, which allow for variable control of electrical output.



• **Fuses**: Fuses are safety devices designed to protect circuits from overloads and short circuits. They contain a thin strip of metal that melts if the current exceeds a certain level, breaking the circuit and preventing damage to connected devices.



• **Circuit Breakers**: Circuit breakers serve a similar function to fuses but can be reset after they trip. When a circuit experiences an overload or short circuit, the circuit breaker automatically interrupts the flow of electricity to prevent damage.



• **Outlets**: Outlets, also known as receptacles, provide points where electrical devices can be connected to the circuit. They come in various configurations to accommodate different types of plugs and devices.



- **Grounding**: Grounding is a safety feature that ensures excess electrical current has a safe path to the ground, reducing the risk of electric shock and protecting against electrical fires. Grounding is typically achieved by connecting electrical devices and circuits to the earth via a grounding conductor.
- Voltage, Current, and Power: Voltage is the electrical potential difference between two points in a circuit, measured in volts (V). Current is the flow of electrical charge through a circuit, measured in amperes (A). Power is the rate at which electrical energy is transferred or converted, measured in watts (W), and is calculated as the product of voltage and current ( $P = V \times I$ ).



# LUMINARIES

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# **QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF LIGHT** -

#### QUALITY OF LIGHT:

- **Color Temperature**: Light sources emit different colors of light, which are measured in Kelvin (K). Lower temperatures (around 2700-3000K) appear warm and yellowish, while higher temperatures (5000K and above) appear cooler and bluer. Understanding color temperature is vital for setting the ambiance and mood in spaces.
- Color Rendering Index (CRI): CRI measures how accurately a light source renders colors compared to natural light. Higher CRI values indicate better color rendering. This is particularly important in settings where color accuracy matters, such as art studios, retail environments, and medical facilities.
- **Directionality and Diffusion**: The way light is directed and diffused affects how it illuminates a space. Direct light creates strong shadows and highlights, while diffused light creates softer, more even illumination. Understanding these properties helps in designing lighting schemes that suit specific needs and preferences.

#### QUANTITY OF LIGHT:

- **Brightness**: The brightness of light is measured in lumens. Different tasks and environments require different levels of brightness. For example, workplaces often require bright, task-oriented lighting, while restaurants or homes may opt for softer, ambient lighting.
- **Intensity and Distribution**: Light intensity refers to the amount of light emitted per unit area, while distribution refers to how evenly light is spread across a space. Balancing intensity and distribution is crucial for ensuring adequate illumination without creating glare or dark spots.

# **QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF LIGHT -**

- Lighting Levels: Lighting levels are measured in lux or foot-candles and vary depending on the task or activity. For example, reading may require higher lighting levels than watching a movie or relaxing.
- Balancing the quality and quantity of light involves considering factors such as the purpose of the space, the activities performed within it, and the preferences of the occupants.
- With advancements in lighting technology and design principles, there are now more options than ever to tailor lighting solutions to specific needs and enhance comfort, productivity, and well-being.

### **SYSTEM OF LUMINARIES** -

- The term "system of luminaries" typically refers to the arrangement or organization of celestial bodies that emit light, primarily stars and other luminous objects in the universe.
- There are two main categories within this system: direct luminaries and indirect luminaries.
- 1. Direct Luminaries: These are celestial bodies that emit their own light. The primary example is stars, including our Sun. Stars produce light through nuclear fusion processes occurring in their cores. This light then travels through space, illuminating the surrounding environment.
- 2. Indirect Luminaries: These are celestial bodies that reflect light emitted by direct luminaries. The most prominent example is the Moon. While the Moon itself does not emit light, it reflects sunlight, making it visible to observers on Earth. Other examples of indirect luminaries include planets, moons of other planets, and asteroids, which reflect light from the Sun or, in some cases, from other nearby celestial bodies.

### **ELECTRICAL LAMPS** -

#### INCANDESCENT LAMP -

- An incandescent lamp, often referred to simply as an incandescent light bulb, is a type of electric light that produces light by heating a filament wire to a high temperature until it glows with visible light. It's one of the earliest and most common types of electric lighting, but it's gradually being replaced by more energy-efficient alternatives like LED bulbs.
- The basic principle behind incandescent lighting is the conversion of electrical energy into heat and light. When an electric current passes through the filament, it encounters resistance, which causes the filament to heat up. This heat makes the filament emit light in the visible spectrum.
- Incandescent bulbs come in various shapes and sizes and have been widely used for residential, commercial, and industrial lighting. However, they are not very energy-efficient compared to newer technologies like LEDs. They convert a relatively small percentage of the energy they consume into visible light, with the rest being lost as heat. As a result, many countries have phased out or restricted the sale of incandescent bulbs in favor of more efficient alternatives.


# **ELECTRICAL LAMPS** -

#### FLUORESCENT TUBES -

Fluorescent tubes are a type of electric light that works through the fluorescence of gases.

- How They Work: Inside a fluorescent tube, there's a small amount of mercury vapor and a phosphor coating on the inner surface. When electricity passes through the tube, it ionizes the mercury vapor, producing ultraviolet (UV) light.
- **UV Light Production**: This UV light isn't visible to the human eye. However, it stimulates the phosphor coating, causing it to emit visible light. Different phosphors produce different colors of light.
- Efficiency: Fluorescent tubes are more energy-efficient than incandescent bulbs. They produce about 50-100 lumens per watt compared to incandescent bulbs' 10-17 lumens per watt.
- Variety: Fluorescent tubes come in various sizes and shapes, from the common straight tube to compact and circular forms. They also vary in color temperature, ranging from warm to cool hues.
- **Applications**: Fluorescent tubes have been widely used in commercial and industrial settings, as well as in residential lighting. They're commonly found in offices, schools, supermarkets, and warehouses.
- **Disadvantages**: While efficient, fluorescent tubes have some drawbacks. They contain mercury, a hazardous material, which requires proper disposal to prevent environmental contamination. They also have a flickering effect and can emit a buzzing sound, which some people find annoying.



# **ELECTRICAL LAMPS** -

HID -

- HID, or High-Intensity Discharge, bulbs are a type of lighting technology that produces light by passing an electrical current through a gas or vapor under high pressure. The most common types of HID bulbs include metal halide, mercury vapor, and high-pressure sodium lamps.
- These bulbs are known for their high efficiency and brightness, making them popular in various applications such as street lighting, automotive headlights, stadium lighting, and indoor grow lights for plants.
- One of the key advantages of HID bulbs is their ability to produce a large amount of light from a relatively small bulb size, making them suitable for applications where space is limited.
- However, HID bulbs also have some drawbacks, including their relatively high initial cost compared to traditional incandescent or fluorescent bulbs, as well as the time it takes for them to warm up and reach full brightness.
- Overall, HID bulbs are valued for their energy efficiency and brightness, making them a popular choice for many lighting applications despite their drawbacks.



#### **ELECTRICAL LAMPS** -

NEON LAMP -

- Neon lamps are a type of gas discharge lamp that emit light when an electrical current passes through them. They consist of a sealed glass tube filled with neon gas, or other gases like argon, krypton, or xenon, at low pressure.
- When a high voltage is applied across the electrodes at each end of the tube, it ionizes the gas inside, causing it to emit a colored glow. Neon lamps are known for their distinctive bright colors, often used in signs, advertising displays, and decorative lighting.
- Despite their name, not all neon lamps contain neon gas; different gases produce different colors when ionized. Neon produces a reddish-orange glow, while argon typically emits a blue light. Neon lamps are durable, energy-efficient, and have a long lifespan, making them popular for various applications.



# ESTIMATE AND ELECTRIC RULES

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# **ESTIMATE FOR ELECTRIFICATION -**

A rough estimate based on general assumptions. Let's assume we're talking about electrifying a residential building in a typical urban area:

- Location: Urban area, moderate accessibility.
- **Type of Electrification**: Residential building.
- Size and Scope: Let's assume it's a medium-sized apartment building with 10 units.
- Infrastructure Requirements: This includes wiring, distribution panels, meters, and connection to the main grid.
- Load Estimation: The average load per unit could be estimated at around 5 kW, depending on the appliances and usage patterns.
- Energy Efficiency Considerations: We'll assume standard energy-efficient lighting and appliances as per building regulations.
- **Regulatory and Permitting Costs**: Permitting costs can vary but let's allocate a moderate amount for this.
- Labor Costs: Again, labor costs can vary significantly, but we'll assume a standard rate for the region.
- Materials and Equipment: This includes wiring, circuit breakers, outlets, switches, meters, etc.
- Based on these assumptions, the total cost for electrification could range from Rs. 41,00,000/- to Rs. 8,36,40,650 or more, depending on the specifics of the project and the region. This estimate covers the installation of electrical infrastructure within the building and connection to the main grid but does not include costs for any upgrades or modifications to the grid infrastructure outside the building.

### LOAD ESTIMATE -

To estimate the electrical load in a residential building, you typically calculate the total power consumption of all the appliances, lighting, and other electrical devices in use. Here's a basic approach:

- **Identify Appliances and Equipment**: Make a list of all the electrical appliances and devices in the building, including lights, TVs, refrigerators, air conditioners, computers, etc.
- **Determine Power Ratings**: Find the power rating (in watts or kilowatts) of each appliance. This information is usually listed on a label or in the user manual. If you can't find it, you can estimate based on typical power ratings for similar devices.
- Estimate Daily Usage: Estimate the average daily usage time for each appliance. For example, lights might be on for 4 hours per day, while a refrigerator might run continuously but cycle on and off.
- Calculate Energy Consumption: Multiply the power rating of each appliance by its average daily usage to find the energy consumption per day (in watt-hours or kilowatt-hours).
- Sum Up: Add up the energy consumption of all appliances to find the total daily energy consumption for the building.
- **Convert to Current**: To convert this energy consumption to current (in amperes), divide the total power consumption (in watts or kilowatts) by the voltage of the electrical system (typically 120 volts or 240 volts, depending on the region).
- **Consider Peak Loads**: Keep in mind any high-power devices that may be turned on simultaneously, such as air conditioners or electric heaters, which could significantly increase the peak load.
- Without specific details about the appliances and usage patterns in the building, it's challenging to provide an accurate load estimate. However, as a rough guideline, a typical residential building might have a peak load ranging from 100 to 200 amperes, depending on factors such as size, number of occupants, and appliances used.

# **INDIAN ELECTRICITY RULES** -

- The Indian Electricity Rules are a set of regulations governing the generation, transmission, distribution, and use of electricity in India. These rules are formulated under the Indian Electricity Act, 2003, and are enforced by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), state electricity boards, and other regulatory bodies at the national and state levels. Here's an overview of some key aspects typically covered by the Indian Electricity Rules:
- Licensing and Registration: Rules related to obtaining licenses or registrations for the generation, transmission, and distribution of electricity, as well as for electrical contractors and consultants.
- Safety Standards: Regulations concerning safety measures for electrical installations, equipment, and operations to prevent accidents, electrical shocks, and fires. This includes requirements for grounding, insulation, earthing, and protective devices.
- Quality of Supply: Standards and guidelines for maintaining the quality and reliability of electrical supply, including parameters such as voltage levels, frequency, power factor, and continuity of supply.
- Metering and Billing: Rules governing the installation, testing, and calibration of electricity meters, as well as procedures for billing, meter reading, and dispute resolution between consumers and distribution companies.
- **Tariffs and Pricing**: Guidelines for setting electricity tariffs and pricing structures for different categories of consumers, including residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural sectors.
- **Renewable Energy**: Regulations promoting the development and integration of renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, hydro, and biomass into the electricity grid, including incentives, subsidies, and feed-in tariffs.

# **INDIAN ELECTRICITY RULES** -

- **Renewable Energy**: Regulations promoting the development and integration of renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, hydro, and biomass into the electricity grid, including incentives, subsidies, and feed-in tariffs.
- Grid Code and Grid Connectivity: Standards and procedures for connecting power plants, substations, and renewable energy projects to the electricity grid, ensuring compatibility, stability, and efficiency of the grid operations.
- Environmental Compliance: Requirements for mitigating environmental impacts associated with electricity generation and transmission, such as emissions control, pollution monitoring, and compliance with environmental regulations.
- Consumer Rights and Grievance Redressal: Provisions for protecting consumer rights, addressing complaints, and resolving disputes related to electricity billing, service quality, and other issues.
- **Penalties and Enforcement**: Penalties, fines, and enforcement mechanisms for violations of the electricity rules, including unauthorized connections, meter tampering, safety violations, and non-compliance with regulatory requirements.
- These are just some general areas covered by the Indian Electricity Rules, and the specific regulations may vary depending on the state or region within India. It's essential for stakeholders in the electricity sector, including utilities, consumers, and policymakers, to familiarize themselves with the relevant rules and ensure compliance to promote the efficient, safe, and sustainable use of electricity resources.

# **RELEVANT CODES OF PRACTICE** -

In the context of electricity, "codes of practice" refer to standards and guidelines established to ensure safety, efficiency, and reliability in the generation, transmission, distribution, and use of electrical energy. These codes outline best practices, technical specifications, and procedures that industry professionals should follow to comply with regulatory requirements and ensure quality performance. In India, several relevant codes of practice are commonly referenced in the electrical sector. Here are some of them:

**1.Indian Electricity Rules (IER)**: As mentioned earlier, the Indian Electricity Rules outline regulations governing various aspects of electricity generation, transmission, distribution, and utilization in India. They cover licensing, safety standards, quality of supply, metering, tariffs, renewable energy, environmental compliance, and consumer rights.

**2.Indian Standards (IS)**: The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) establishes Indian Standards (IS) for electrical equipment, materials, and installations. These standards cover a wide range of products and systems, including conductors, cables, switches, transformers, circuit breakers, and wiring accessories. Compliance with relevant IS codes ensures the quality, safety, and performance of electrical installations and appliances.

**3.National Electrical Code (NEC)**: While not specific to India, the National Electrical Code (NEC) published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) in the United States is often referenced globally for electrical safety standards. It covers wiring methods, equipment installation, grounding, overcurrent protection, and other aspects of electrical systems to minimize the risk of electrical hazards.

# **RELEVANT CODES OF PRACTICE -**

4. Electricity Authority (CEA) Regulations: The Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in India issues regulations and guidelines related to technical standards, grid connectivity, safety, and reliability of electricity supply. These regulations provide detailed requirements for power generation projects, transmission systems, grid operation, and renewable energy integration.

**5.International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Standards**: The IEC develops international standards for electrical and electronic technologies, including power generation, transmission, and distribution. Many of these standards are adopted or referenced by Indian authorities and industry organizations to ensure compatibility, interoperability, and global best practices in the electrical sector.

**6.Code of Practice for Electrical Installations (CPRI)**: The Central Power Research Institute (CPRI) in India publishes guidelines and recommendations for electrical installations, testing procedures, and equipment performance evaluation. These codes of practice cover aspects such as earthing, lightning protection, insulation coordination, and power system protection.