

ACPDM

Assignment Booklet

**Advanced Certificate in Power
Distribution Management**

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Course Code

BEE-001

BEE-002

BEE-003



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Dear Student,

This booklet contains the assignments for the ACPDM – for the courses of BEE-001 BEE-002 & BEE-003. It is for your kind information that each course has one assignment, which is based on course materials of these courses. You are also advised to **write your responses in your own words**. This will improve your comprehension skills. Further, you may note that in case the Coordinator / Counselor may summarily reject your assignment response happens to be a copy of assignment response sheet submitted by another student, your assignment **and/or your marks might be made null and void**. Therefore, you are strongly advised not to allow any other student to copy it. The last date of submission of assignment is given against each assignment. You are advised not to wait for the last date to submit your assignments.

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Please note , assignments submission are prerequisite to appear in your Term End Examination (TEE).

You need to submit the assignments as under:

For January Session- By 30th April ; For July Session- By 30th October

You can submit your assignment-

At your concern **Regional Centre** on or before the due date (in person). Student are advised to get the acknowledgement/receipt while submitting assignment at Regional Centre concerned in order to fill up assignment submission details in your term end examination form.

OR

You may also send your assignment answer sheets to the following Address:

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so as to reach there on or before the due date in order to send assignment receiving acknowledgement slip to you by post for TEE examination requirement.

We strongly feel that you should retain a photocopy of your assignment answer sheet duly acknowledged by the office of the Coordinator/ Study Centre/ Regional Centre to avoid any unforeseen situation.

For Formatting Your Assignments

- **On the top of the first page of your Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) answer sheet**, please write the details exactly in the following format :

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Signature :	E mail-----Mob.-----

- Please follow the above format strictly to facilitate evaluation and avoid delay.
- Use only foolscap size writing paper (but not of very thin variety) for writing your answers.
- Leave 3 cm margin on the left, top and bottom of your answer sheet.
- Your answer should be logical and coherent.
- While solving problems, clearly indicate the question number along with the part being solved. Recheck your work before submitting it.

Wishing you all good luck!

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TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**Course Code: BEE-001****POWER DISTRIBUTION SECTOR****Maximum Marks: 100**
Weightage : 30%**Note :** All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

- Q.1 (a) Mention the two parts of R-APDRP? What is the significance of Ring-fencing in loss reduction?
- (b) Why was the T&D loss assessment changed to AT&C loss determination in distribution? Hence explain the term AT&C loss.
- Q.2 (a) What are the Key Performance Indices measuring the distribution sector performance?
- (b) What are the measures which can be adopted by a utility to reduce Distribution transformer failure rate?
- Q.3 (a) Electricity as a subject appears in the Concurrent list of subjects as per the constitution of India. With reference to IEA 2003 provisions explain how the center-state balance is maintained in developing the sector. What is the remedy in case of conflict?
- (b) The power sector reforms were initiated around the early nineties, however the Indian Electricity Act 2003 accelerated the pace of reforms. Do you agree? If yes, justify with reference to the provisions in IEA 2003 and if No, explain why?
- Q.4 (a) Discuss the emerging role of Energy Efficiency in the distribution sector in mitigating the demand –supply deficit.
- (b) How would the National Tariff policy help in realizing the aims and objectives of Electricity Act 2003?
- Q.5 (a) Giving the internal block diagram of an electronic meter explain the role of watchdog timer.
- (b) Differentiate between preventive and breakdown maintenance.
- Q.6 (a) The key to success of distribution reforms is the Business Process Re-engineering. Compare the business processes in the vertically integrated Utility structure and the emerging unbundled structure in the distribution.
- (b) Discuss the importance of benchmarking as a tool to push the BPR in a distribution utility.
- Q.7 (a) Describe the steps in developing a modern distribution system for a satellite town area. Indicate the planning and design steps involved
- (b) Discuss the role of CERC in tariff setting.
- Q.8 (a) Identify the factors contributing to Technical loss and Commercial loss. Mention the techniques to reduce the Technical losses.
- (b) What is meant by Billing efficiency and Collection Efficiency? Give the equation, allowing calculation of AT&C loss from the two efficiency factors.
- Q.9 (a) With the help of a Single Line Diagram indicate the switchgear and equipment used in a typical 33/11 KV sub-station. Mention the annual maintenance practices adopted.
- (b) Discuss the variation in dielectric strength variation with altitude. How would the ground clearances or Rod gaps be altered as compared to sea level in a 33/11 KV substation at high altitude.
- Q.10 (a) A consumer reverses the CT connections in a three phase four wire metering arrangement. What is the percentage change in energy registered?
- (b) Differentiate between preventive and breakdown maintenance. Explain the live line maintenance techniques and tools.

TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENTCourse Code: **BEE-002****ENERGY MANAGEMENT AND IT APPLICATIONS****Maximum Marks: 100****Weightage : 30%****Note :** All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

- Q.1 (a) Explain how IT can help in reducing AT & C losses and improving the efficiency of power distribution.
- (b) Describe the benefits of GIS for managing the power distribution system.
- Q.2 (a) Discuss energy accounting and various problems associated with it?
- (b) What do you understand by energy auditing? Justify need for energy auditing with the help of suitable examples.
- Q.3 (a) Describe the importance of ERP and its application areas in distribution.
- (b) Describe what you can do as a consumer to contribute to DSM and energy efficiency improvement.
- Q.4 (a) Discuss the measures that should be taken to improve the energy efficiency of buildings.
- (b) Explain in brief about the importance of energy security for a nation.
- Q.5 (a) Give the architecture of an IT enabled energy accounting system for distribution network.
- (b) Explain the two types of spot billing technology. What are their relative advantages and disadvantages?
- Q.6 (a) Explain why utilities should adopt integrated IT systems rather than standalone applications.
- (b) Explain the role of management in overcoming the problems in Energy Accounting?
- Q.7 (a) How is an HHD actually used for reading meters?
- (b) State the benefits of AMR and outline the hardware requirements for it.
- Q.8 (a) Discuss the usefulness of SCADA for improving the operations of a power distribution utility.
- (b) Discuss the reasons why DSM has not been taken up actively by utilities in the domestic and commercial sectors.
- Q.9 (a) What should be the disaster management plan for quick restoration of power supply in the event of earthquake?
- (b) Discuss the measures that should be taken for preventing and handling cases of electric shock.
- Q.10 (a) Discuss "Green House Effect" on Global Environment.
- (b) Write the short note on the (i) energy intensity (ii) energy efficiency.

TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**Course Code :BEE-003****MANAGEMENT OF POWER DISTRIBUTION****Maximum Marks: 100****Weightage : 30%****Note:** All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

- Q.1 (a) Describe in brief the management processes of planning, controlling, organizing and leading.
- (b) Explain the concept of supply chain management in detail.
- Q.2 (a) What is the process of ARR filing by discoms? Discuss in light of IEA 2003 provisions.
- (b) What are the provisions in IEA 2003 that endeavor to bring out transparency in the working of discoms?.
- Q.3 (a) How can IT be used in improving communication processes in a discom within organization, and with consumers? Give the components and their interconnections.
- (b) What measures should be taken to make inter-personnel communication effective?
- Q.4 (a) How are wheeling charges computed? Give the procedure for source connected at 33kV and consumer connected at 11 kV.
- (b) What is meant by IRR? Mention the components that make-up the annual revenue requirements of a discom.
- Q.5 (a) What are the main driving factors of change in any business?
- (b) In your opinion, what should the role of a change leader be in facilitating the changes being brought about due to the power distribution reforms?
- Q.6 (a) Explain turnkey contracts in power distribution? Make comparative statement of benefits of turnkey contracts vis-à-vis unit rate contracts.
- (b) Explain various cost components of Detailed Project Report (DPR).
- Q.7 (a) What are the different types of conflicts taking place in business organizations?
- (b) With reference to cost management, explain Material variance, Variable overhead variance, Labor variance, and Sales variance.
- Q.8 (a) Describe how you can use the print and electronic media to sensitize your customers about timely payment of bills, and legalizing power connections.
- (b) Discuss the important factors for motivating employees in an organization.
- Q.9 (a) Describe practices in complaint handling with reference to customer relationship management (CRM).
- (b) 'Customer relationship management has become an important area for public utilities'. Analyze this statement in context of any organization.
- Q.10 (a) Explain various investment evaluation methods.
- (b) Define the objective of budgeting and budgetary control. What is meant by and 'Financial Leverage'?

