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SALEM MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
Dated 25/6/1969.

ENDORSEMENT.

Copy communicated to Town Planning Officer, Assistant Town Planning Officer, Building Inspectors, Municipal Engineer and Municipal Health Officer for information.

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FOR COMMISSIONER.

To

The Town Planning Officer, Assistant Town Planning Officer, Building Inspectors, Municipal Engineer and Municipal Health Officer.

Copy to The Building Clerks, G1 for stock file.

Copy of Government Memorandum No.110414/M5/68-12 dated the 15th May 1969, Rural Development and Local Administration Department.

Sub: BUILDINGS - construction of Buildings underneath power line and telephone lines - clearance from Buildings - instructions - issued.

- Ref: 1. G.O.(Ms)No.704 Rural Development and Local Administration dated 24.3.1964.
2. From the Chairman/Electricity Board, letter No.2284/JA/68-1/ dated 31.8.1968.
3. From the Director of Town Planning, letter No.4414/69/H1/dated 1.4.1969.

The Chairman, Madras State Electricity Board has brought to the notice of Government that constructions right under telephone lines have been permitted by the Executive Officer Mettur Township Committee and that suitable instructions may be issued to the Executive Officer for taking action against the owner of the Building under the provisions of the Indian Electricity Rules.

2. Instructions have already been issued by Government in G.O.(Ms)No.704, Rural Development and Local Administration dated 24.3.1964 that the Executive Authorities should not approve any layout or allot any site without prior consultation with the Madras State Electricity Board if the layout or site is affected or likely to be affected by power lines or telephone lines.

3. Under rule 79 of the Indian Electricity Rules, 1956 where a low or medium voltage overhead line passes above or adjacent to or terminates, on any building, the following minimum clearance from any accessible point, on the basis of maximum sag, shall be observed.

- a) for any flat roof, open balcony, verandah roof and lean to roof.
- (i) when the line passes above the building a vertical clearance, of 2.439 meters (8 feet) from the highest point and,
- (ii) when the line passes adjacent to the building a horizontal clearance of 1.219 meters (4feet) from the nearest point and,

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(b) for pitched roof-

(i) when the line passes above the building a vertical clearance of 2.439 meters (8 feet) immediately under the lines, and

(ii) when the line passes adjacent to the building a horizontal clearance of 1.219 metres (4 feet).

4. The telephone and Telegraph lines carry very feeble Electrical energy. With a view to safeguard that telephone ~~and~~ and telegraph lines from being interfered with and causing disturbance, the Government consider that the minimum clearance adhered to for low or medium voltage overhead lines referred to in section 79 of the Indian Electricity Rules 1966, should be followed in the case of Telephone and Telegraph wires also.

5. The Executive Authorities of Municipal Councils and Township Committees should follow the above procedure strictly.

6. The Director of Rural Development is requested to bring this order to the notice of all Panchayats.

V.E.NAGANATHA RAO,
Deputy Secretary to Government.