

INTRODUCTION TO THE DEPARTMENT

Union Territory of Chandigarh came into existence with effect from 01/11/1966 after re-organization of erstwhile state of Punjab. The Local Distribution of electricity in Chandigarh was taken over by the Chandigarh Admn. from the PSEB on 2nd May, 1967 and is responsible for Transmission and Distribution of power supply upto consumers door-step for making quality and continuous power supply available to each and every resident. The Electricity Operation Circle is headed by Superintending Engineer along with four Executive Engineers with the employees strength of 1000 approx.

The peak demand of UT Electricity Department is around 406 MW which is being met from different Central/State Generating stations. UT Chandigarh has no generating capacity of its own because the generating projects are found to be techno-economically not viable. At present, the City is receiving 47% of its power through Mohali (PSEB), about 10% through Dhulkote (BBMB) and remaining 50% through Nalagarh. The city has a transmission network which comprises of one No.220 KV Sub Station at Kishangarh Manimajra, 13 Nos. 66 KV Sub Stations and 5 Nos. 33 KV Sub Stations. At present the city has 2,22, 292 consumers which includes 1,93,967 domestic consumers, 23,228 commercial consumers and about 2,677 industrial consumers. The average power requirement is around **53.4 lac** units per day. UT has an allocation of **125 - 255 MW** of power from different Central/State Generating Stations during different hours of the day. Per capita consumption is **1295 units** per person per annum. Besides this, Chandigarh Administration is maintaining **19521** number of street light points within sectors (i.e. V-6) roads.