

# **ARTICLE ON THEFT OF ELECTRICITY IN KARACHI AND ITS IMPACT ON NATIONAL INCOME**

## **Abstract:**

Pakistan has been faced big problem of electricity but in current three year energy crises is at very large scale. One of the big reason of electricity crises is theft of electricity. This problem faced all over the Pakistan but Karachi city is high faced electricity theft .

## **Key words:**

Problem, scale,energy,crises,reason,theft.

## **Description:**

The energy sector in Pakistan has long been facing the gigantic problem of electricity theft. Theft is not only a major reason for load-shedding, but the the financial loss occurring from theft also does not allow electricity companies to improve upon their distribution system. The kesc said it has obtained a fatwa or decree from 12 top Islamic scholars who declared the theft of power a sin. It is astonishing and disturbing to find that certain segments of our society do not even consider theft of electricity theft let alone immoral or illegal. People steal electricity by hooking up a wire to overhead electricity cables, siphoning of off power without paying for it. Another way people steal power is to slow down their electricity metres. It is very important for such people to know that the theft of electricity is illegal, immoral and not acceptable as is any other form of theft. Kesc responsible for providing the electricity to Karachi have finally decided to deal with the electricity theft in city. As part of this compaign they have made use online medium along with the use of conventional media like tv and newspapers ads. Most recently they have been seen making use of a social network called facebook using their proper advertisement features and also they are maintaining a youtube channel as well. It is actually a positive step that along with normal online advertisement now Pakistan organizations are now using the social networks to

promote themselves and to connect with people. They way they will be better able to get the the consumer feedback directly and will be better able to know what the consumers think about them. The current compaign being promoted using all kind of media including online mediums is called “they steal, we pay” or “wo karein, hum bharain” in urdu. People across the country who committing the crime of electricity theft crime must stop from today, any of such compaign can deal with you bitterly and can make you exposed in front souls huge in number. The kesc losses enough power to theft and nonpayment of bills that a separate power plant would be required just to compensate for this loss alone. Power theft results in incessant load-shedding, crippling financial losses and disruption in the lives of the people of Karachi and its adjoining areas. Power theft is neither a new problem for Pakistan nor is it unique-developing countries in south asia have been higjly susceptible to such theft. But the magnitude of the problem is abnormally large in Pakistan. The impact of this on Karachi energy crisis is evident. Nonpaying paying consumers make electricity scarcer for the legitimate customer. Kesc employees were involved in sabotage activities, including meter-doctoring,placing kundas etc and its affect on national income. Many competent employees even left the company for better jobs.

**Conclusion:**

Electricity is the most basic need of our life. If electricity is exist then we live in a country in peaceful manner. If the government could control the theft of electricity and take action for the corrupt people who are stealing electricity in different ways then the government increase their revenue and national income.