



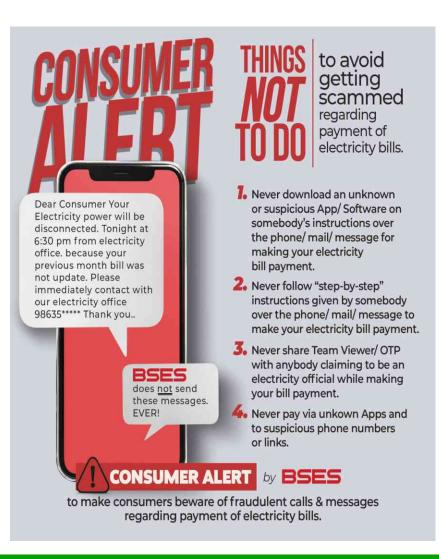
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## **Monsoon Safety: Essential Tips to Prevent Electrical Mishaps**

Much to everyone's delight, the monsoons are here again! However, with the arrival of the rainy season, comes a unique set of challenges, particularly those related to waterlogging and electrical safety. The chances of electricity-related mishaps and incidents increase significantly during this time. Following simple precautions can help you stay safe and ensure an incident-free monsoon.

- Stay away from all electrical installations such as electricity poles, substations, transformers, and streetlights.
- Caution children not to play near these installations, even if they are barricaded.
- Do not touch electrical appliances with wet hands.
- Keep a tester at home. If a switch or a wall in your house is wet, do not touch it. First, use the tester to check for any electricity leakage. If needed, call your electrician.
- Install an Earth Leakage Circuit Breaker (ELCB) to help avoid shocks and mishaps.



## Stay Safe: Don't fly kites near electric installations



Kite flying is an integral part of the Independence Day celebrations in India. Sometimes this otherwise innocuous activity can be hazardous, even fatal at times. The wide-spread use of metal coated manjha – being a good conductor of electricity – poses a great danger not only to the person flying the kite, but also poses a risk to the electricity supply of an area.

- Metal coated manipha can lead to trippings and even electrocution
- Tripping of just one 33/66 KV overhead line can disrupt power supply to over 10,000 residents of an area and tripping of a single 11 KV line to over 2500 residents

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