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04 Apr 2018 Safety Sandesh – Tips to Prevent Electrical shocks this monsoon

The total number of accidental deaths by electrocution in India was 9606 during 2014. The top 10 states/UTs in terms of accidental deaths by electrocution in India during 2014 were: Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

Source – National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB), MoHA

It's shocking: 10K die of electrocution annually - The incidents are high in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Jharkhand, Kerala, Odisha, Uttarakhand and Assam.

Source Tahelka.com

We all at some point of our age have felt experienced electrical shocks due to dampness/ monsoon. Isn't it?????



With the arrival of monsoon, the probability of electrical accidents increases. Below are 10 tips to keep your loved ones and yourself safe.

- **Keep off from electrical installations.** Stay away from electrical installations like power poles, sub-stations, transformers, streetlights, etc during the rains.
- ★ Do not use electric poles as support Avoid using electric poles as support to pandals or for displaying advertisement hoardings.
- ★ Do not allow kids near electricity installations Stop kids from playing near electricity installations even if they are barricaded.
- ★ Stay away from waterlogged areas Do not allow children to play in waterlogged areas, including parks.
- ★ Keep your wet hands off from electric appliances Do not touch electrical appliances with wet hands and bare feet.
- ★ Switch off power points- Switch off power points before plugging or unplugging appliances.
- ★ **Keep a tester** Keep a tester at home. If a switch is wet, do not touch it—first use the tester to check if there any current leakage.
- ★ Switch of mains In case of a short-circuit, switch off the mains to avoid accidents.



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- **★ Install portable generators -** Portable generators should be installed separately from service connection.
- ★ Take help from an electrician Do not attempt to repair any wires, switches or electrical appliances; call a qualified electrician.

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