





rates, private generation units, parallel distribution licensee, available sources to consumers. He also informed that Consumers requires continuous & quality electricity supply at a reasonable rate, however, there has been a tremendous increase in charges for power generation & also there has been increase in the power losses. After the MERC has been established, consumer awareness has increased and also changes have taken place in different areas. He expressed the need of multi-seller and multi-buyer model. He expressed that electricity rates can only come down after availability of sufficient electric power. Prasad Kolkil has guided the programme.

During this programme Mr.Vijay Sonawane, MERC Member, Mumbai addressed the consumers on "Development of Energy Sector, Open Access, Parallel Distribution Licensee & Consumer Services."

On this occasion Mr.Vijay Sonawane addressed the gathering and said that besides mega power generation plants some power generation plants in the private sector are going to start and hence by 2011-12 Maharashtra will be self-sufficient for power & consumers can get the electricity at a cheaper rate due to increase in competition for the power generation in private sector.

Massia President Mr.Raman Ajgaonkars & Mrs.Anjali Deshmukh, Chairperson District Consumer Court, Chairperson Urja Manch, Mr.Vinod Nandapurkar, Mr.Vijay Somawanshi, Subordinate Engineers Association, Smt.Sonawane and the citizens of Aurangabad were present for the said programme.