

LOAD-SHEDDING

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LOAD-SHEDDING – FURTHER AGGRAVATION FOR SANHA-MJC CARRION CHICKEN INDUSTRY

Even minus the erratic load-shedding currently besetting the country, the chickens killed at the commercial killing plants and halaalized by SANHA, MJC, NIHT and other agents of Iblees, are HARAAM CARRION. Load-shedding has added a horrible aggravating dimension to the chicken-killing industry.

When the power is cut, chickens passing upside down through the cruel electrocuting water-trough become stuck with their heads submerged in the water. Thousands of chickens remain hanging upside down on the stationery conveyer belts. Others perish horribly in the hot water tanks where they are scalded prior to defeathering. Just imagine the scenario with thousands of chickens hanging upside down, messing and defecating in the cruel position they are hanging. Those chickens which were not killed as a consequence of electrocution, regain consciousness. Imagine their pitiful plight hanging upside down and defecating. They remain in this cruel position for the duration of the power-cut. The following report describes the filth and brutality of an industry which produces nothing but carrion chickens halaalized by SANHA, MJC, NIHT, ICSA, etc.

Chickens hurt in load-shedding prompt power request

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(Madelene Cronje, M&G) Chickens hurt in load-shedding prompt power request

South Africa's chicken producers say load-shedding is harming the birds' welfare.

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South African chicken producers will ask the government to help them guarantee electricity supply to the nation's biggest abattoirs as almost-daily power cuts are harming the birds' welfare and creating health risks.

The slaughterhouses, some of which can process as many as 13 000 chickens hourly, can't rely on generators as they aren't able to create sufficient power for their needs, South African Poultry Association chief executive officer Kevin Lovell said. The birds are typically stunned unconscious by electrocution before they are decapitated while hanging upside down, he said.

When power cuts interrupt the process, the birds "have been stunned but they haven't been killed; they're hanging upside down and they're coming back alive", he said at Bloomberg's offices in Johannesburg on June 26. "It's a real problem. And it's a huge waste problem because everything that stops in the process, sometimes hundreds of tonnes, has to be cleared. You have to clean and sterilise everything and then you have to dump at a medical waste site."

Eskom Holdings, the state-owned company that supplies about 95% of power used in the continent's most industrialised economy, has cut supply almost every other day this year as it struggles to meet demand amid regular breakdowns of plants and delays starting up new units. While load-shedding follow schedules, it is sometimes imposed at a few minutes' notice.

Eskom request

There were blackouts on 20 days in June, according to data compiled by Bloomberg using alerts from Eskom.

Abattoirs belonging to producers including RCL Foods and Astral Foods slaughtered about 958-million chickens last year, Lovell said.

SAPA, as the poultry lobby is known, will approach the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and

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Fisheries about asking Eskom and municipalities to directly control power supply to 20 of the largest slaughterhouses, which process about 80% of the country's production, and provide about eight hours' notice before cuts are introduced, Lovell said.

Eskom will attempt to accommodate the needs of the poultry industry once producer shave made an approach, Khulu Phasiwe, a spokesperson for Eskom, said by phone on Tuesday.

A company operating in the Western Cape has arranged that it gets forewarned about planned disruptions and switches off supply to its feed mill during the day in exchange for not having electricity to its abattoir cut, Lovell said.

"Maybe that's the sort of solution we can come up with," he said.

Sufficient warning

Sufficient warning will limit losses and help processors and farmers plan transportation of the birds more efficiently, he said.

"Farms need to be no more than two hours away from abattoirs as that's the sort of time period that the chickens can safely be contained in those crates" on trucks, he said. "If it starts to take longer than that, you start to get mortalities."

About 58% of Eskom's electricity sales are direct to customers such as mines and factories, with the rest is sold to municipalities who then distribute to residents and businesses, according to the company's 2014 annual report. - Bloomberg

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