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VACANCY CIRCULAR

The Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (JERC) for Goa & UTs was set up by the Government of India under the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003. The Commission is located at Gurgaon (Haryana). The Commission consists of a Chairperson and another Member. The post of Chairperson in the above JERC is due to fall vacant on 6.8.2016. It is proposed to fill up the anticipated vacancy.

2. Appointment to the post of Chairperson, JERC for Goa & UTs is governed by the relevant provisions of the Electricity Act and the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for Union Territories except Delhi (Salary, Allowances and other Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Member) Rules, 2007. The pay of the Chairperson has since been revised to Rs.80,000/- (fixed) p.m.

3. Section 84 (1) of the Electricity Act prescribes the qualification for appointment of a Member (including Chairperson) i.e. "...the Members of the State Commission shall be persons of ability, integrity and standing who have adequate knowledge of, and have shown in, dealing with, problems relating to engineering, finance, commerce, economics, law, or management."

4. The Chairperson of JERC for Goa & UTs shall hold office for a term of five years from the date on which he/ she enters upon his/ her office or till he/ she attains the age of sixty-five years, whichever is earlier. The candidate will have to give a declaration that he/she does not have any financial or other interest, which is likely to affect prejudicially his/her function as Chairperson of the above JERC (proforma enclosed).

5. Relevant extracts of the Electricity Act, 2003 relating to the requirement of qualification, experience, etc. for Member, JERC for Goa & UTs and a copy of Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (Salaries, Allowances and other Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Members) Rules, 2007 are available at Ministry's website www.powermin.nic.in and that of DoPT i.e. www.persmin.nic.in.

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6. Applications/ nominations are invited from suitable persons having qualification and experience as prescribed in the Act for appointment as Chairperson, JERC for Goa & UTs so as to reach the Ministry within six weeks from the date of publication of this circular in the Employment News, addressed to the Director (R&R), Ministry of Power, 2nd Floor (Room No.220A), Shram Shakti Bhavan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi – 110001.

Encl: as above

Sd/-
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Declaration

I hereby declare that I do not have any financial or other interest, which is likely to affect prejudicially my function as Chairperson, Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (JERC) for Goa & UTs, in the event of my selection.

(Signature of Applicant)

Extracts from the Electricity Act 2003

Section 84: (1) The Chairperson and the Members of the State Commission shall be persons of ability, integrity and standing who have adequate knowledge of, and have shown capacity in, dealing with problems relating to engineering, finance, commerce, economics, law or management.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the State Government may appoint any person as the Chairperson from amongst persons who is, or has been, a Judge of a High Court:

Provided that no appointment under this sub-section shall be made except after consultation with the Chief Justice of that High Court.

(3) The Chairperson or any other Member of the State Commission shall not hold any other office.

(4) The Chairperson shall be the Chief Executive of the State Commission.

Section 86. (1) The State Commission shall discharge the following functions, namely: -

(a) determine the tariff for generation, supply, transmission and wheeling of electricity, wholesale, bulk or retail, as the case may be, within the State:

Provided that where open access has been permitted to a category of consumers under section 42, the State Commission shall determine only the wheeling charges and surcharge thereon, if any, for the said category of consumers;

(b) regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of distribution licensees including the price at which electricity shall be procured from the generating companies or licensees or from other sources through agreements for purchase of power for distribution and supply within the State;

(c) facilitate intra-state transmission and wheeling of electricity;

(d) issue licences to persons seeking to act as transmission licensees, distribution licensees and electricity traders with respect to their operations within the State;

(e) promote congeneration and generation of electricity from renewable sources of energy by providing suitable measures for connectivity with the grid and sale of electricity to any person, and also specify, for purchase of electricity from such sources, a percentage of the total consumption of electricity in the area of a distribution licence;

(f) adjudicate upon the disputes between the licensees, and generating companies and to refer any dispute for arbitration;

(g) levy fee for the purposes of this Act;

(h) specify State Grid Code consistent with the Grid Code specified under clause (h) of sub-section (1) of section 79;

(i) specify or enforce standards with respect to quality, continuity and reliability of service by licensees;

(j) fix the trading margin in the intra-State trading of electricity, if considered, necessary; and

(k) discharge such other functions as may be assigned to it under this Act.

(2) The State Commission shall advise the State Government on all or any of the following matters, namely :-

- (i) promotion of competition, efficiency and economy in activities of the electricity industry;
- (ii) promotion of investment in electricity industry;
- (iii) reorganization and restructuring of electricity industry in the State;
- (iv) matters concerning generation, transmission , distribution and trading of electricity or any other matter referred to the State Commission by that Government.

(3) The State Commission shall ensure transparency while exercising its powers and discharging its functions.

(4) In discharge of its functions the State Commission shall be guided by the National Electricity Policy, National Electricity Plan and tariff policy published under section 3.

Section 89. (1) The Chairperson or other Member shall hold office for a term of five years from the date he enters upon his office;

Provided that the Chairperson or other Member in the Central Commission or the State Commission shall not be eligible for re-appointment in the same capacity as the Chairperson or a Member in that Commission in which he had earlier held office as such :

Provided further that no Chairperson or Member shall hold office as such after he has attained the age of sixty-five years.

(2) The salary, allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the Chairperson and Members shall be such as may be prescribed by the Appropriate Government.

Provided that the salary, allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the Members, shall not be varied to their disadvantage after appointment.

(3) Every Member shall, before entering upon his office, make and subscribe to an oath of office and secrecy in such form and in such manner and before such authority as may be prescribed.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), a Member may-

(a) Relinquish his office by giving in writing to the Appropriate Government a notice of not less than three months; or

(b) be removed from his office in accordance with the provisions of section 90.

(5) Any member ceasing to hold office as such shall –

(a) not accept any commercial employment for a period of two years from the date he ceases to hold such office; and

(b) not represent any person before the Central Commission or any State Commission in any manner.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this sub-section "commercial employment" means employment in any capacity in any organisation which has been a party to the

proceedings before the Appropriate Commission or employment in any capacity under, or agency of, a person engaged in trading, commercial, industrial or financial business in electricity industry and includes a director of a company or partner of a firm or setting up practice either independently or as partner of a firm or as an advisor or a consultant.
