MINUTES OF THE 24Th ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF FOIR HELD ON 14TH JUNE 2023

VENUE: INDIAN HABITAT CENTRE, NEW DELHI

- 1. The 24th Annual General Body meeting of the Forum of Indian Regulators (FOIR) was held on 14th June, 2023 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, chaired by Shri Balwinder Singh Bhullar, Hony. Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, AERA. The list of attendees is at **Appendix**.
- 2. Welcoming all the members, Hony. Vice Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, CERC expressed his appreciation for the active participation by the members in the activities of FOIR. He also welcomed the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA), Punjab and the Food Safety & Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) who were participating in the General Body meeting for the first time after joining the Forum. He informed the members that the visibility and activities of this Forum have increased substantially, which has been possible through programs like KYR/webinar series, capacity building programs, specially curated for sector specific regulators, colloquiums, etc. conducted by IICA. He further highlighted that through this Forum, issues across various infrastructure sectors have been resolved and suitably addressed through discussion and interactions. He specifically mentioned two instances: the collaboration between TRAI and ERCs in facilitating the roll out of 5G and the collaboration between PNGRB and CERC in implementing power sector reforms. He further stated that regulators need to strike a balance between innovation and risk mitigation. There are many challenges that ring alarm bells, and the regulators need to ensure that the technological advancement in the sector is harnessed for the benefit of Society as a whole while safeguarding the interests of consumers. This can be achieved by engaging and fostering close partnerships among various sector regulators by collaborating and working together.
- 3. Thereafter, Shri Balwinder Singh Bhullar, Hony. Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, AERA, extended a warm welcome to all the members attending the Annual General Body meeting. He stated that FOIR serves as an active platform for bringing together sector-specific regulators to discuss issues, learn from one another, and assist the

country in advancing regulatory matters. He acknowledged the good work done by Mr. Ashok Kumar Gupta, former Hony. Chairperson of FOIR / Ex-Chairperson of CCI. He highlighted the collaboration between CERC and TRAI and commended their efforts in rolling out the 5G network in the country. He opined that such collaboration could be projected at the international level.

4. Hony. Vice – Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, TRAI welcomed all the members of the Forum and acknowledged the challenges faced in planning and implementing regulations due to the rapid technological advancements and disruptions. He informed the members that the convergence of Artificial intelligence (AI), augmented reality, virtual reality, and machine learning will lead to the creation of the metaverse. He stated that regulations would eventually need to be applied in the virtual world, particularly in areas such as Intellectual Property Rights and dealing with virtual crimes. He emphasized the importance of collaboration among authorities and vertical sectors to address these challenges and reshape the objectives of FOIR accordingly. He also highlighted the successful collaboration between CERC and TRAI, which enabled the timely and speedy rollout of 5G in India. He highlighted the collaborative efforts with State authorities and discoms in providing the necessary infrastructure to telecom operators. He informed members that India currently has 150 million subscribers of 5G services, placing the country in the top position for 5G implementation. He emphasized the need to showcase these collaborations and best practices globally. He informed that a joint Committee has been formed by TRAI with regulators such as RBI and SEBI, the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, the Ministry of Home Affairs, and the Department of Telecom. Due to the formation of this Committee, spamming and phishing fraud have significantly reduced over the past four months. He also informed the audience that the implementation of an AI system has also helped in eliminating spam calls and messages, leading to a gradual reduction in fraudulent activities. He further highlighted the collaboration with the Urban Ministry, State Governments, and local authorities for in-building connectivity solutions. He emphasized the need for reshaping FOIR's objectives and fostering more collaboration. He specifically mentioned the Joint Committee formed between the Ministry of Power and TRAI. Consequent to the deliberations of the Committee, Notification was issued allowing demand aggregation through multiple connections in

the same electricity division, with a contract demand of 100 KW, to take power through Green Energy open access.

- 5. Vice Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, CCI welcomed all the members of FOIR. She expressed her pleasure in attending the 24th AGM of FOIR for the first time. Reflecting on the period of Indian economic liberalization, she emphasized the importance of independent regulators in driving the country's growth and prosperity. Role of CCI is to ensure that markets function in a free and fair manner, promoting competition and addressing any anti-competitive practices. She praised FOIR as a robust platform where regulators can come together, share experiences, and learn from one another's experiences. She highlighted the benefits of working in a coordinated fashion and recognized the need for sector regulators to play a significant role by working as a Committee of Regulators. She informed the members that CCI is actively involved in activities related to digital marketing and has set up data units and digital units to gather information and build expertise in that area. CCI collaborates closely with relevant Ministries to stay updated on new developments. She also mentioned the Commission's collaboration with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs for the development of digital competition law, expanding the scope beyond ex-post regulations to address potential harm caused by rapid digital development.
- 6. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

AGENDA ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 23RD ANNUAL GENERAL BODY

7. Deputy Chief (RA), CERC updated action taken on the Minutes of the 23rd AGM. During the meeting, the members advised exploring more sector collaborations between airports, ports, metros, smart city projects, and the electricity and telecom sectors. To address this, IICA, the knowledge partner of FOIR was advised to explore relevant programs. On the issue of creating a suggestion box on the FOIR website, which would allow any FOIR member to provide suggestions on the Forum's activities, she apprised the members that the suggestion box is now live on the FOIR website, and members were requested to utilize it. The General Body approved the Minutes placed before them.

AGENDA ITEM 2: CONSTITUTION OF MAJOR PORTS ADJUDICATORY BOARD BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT – REFERENCE FROM TAMP

- 8. The Forum was apprised of the reference received from TAMP regarding the formation of the Major Ports Adjudicatory Board (the successor body for TAMP with additional powers) by the Central Government with the enactment of the Major Ports Authority Act 2021 and that TAMP sought clarification whether the Adjudicatory Board can continue as a member of the FOIR and to share relevant rules and regulations.
- 9. The members were also apprised that as per MPA Act 2021, the new entity to be formed is being established by law to adjudicate upon disputes and other functions, taking over the functions of TAMP (except for tariff fixation), and also has the powers to appraise, review the stressed PPP projects as referred by the Central Govt and suggest measures to revive such projects; to look into complaints received from port users against the services and terms of service rendered by Major Ports or the private operators operating in Major Ports and to pass necessary orders after hearing the parties concerned, etc.
- 10. It was also informed that the Governing Body, in its 53rd Meeting, had unanimously agreed that the Adjudicatory Board to be formed under the MPA Act fits into the overall scope of being a Regulator and thus would be eligible for membership of the Forum under its Rules and Regulations.
- 11. After discussion, the General Body members agreed that the new entity, which is to be formed, aligns with the overall scope of the FOIR rules and regulations. It was decided that the entity could be inducted into the Forum, once TAMP ceases to exist. The FOIR Secretariat was instructed to inform TAMP (Tariff Authority for Major Ports) accordingly.

AGENDA ITEM NO.3: RE-CONSTITUTION OF GOVERNING BODY

12. Deputy Chief (RA), CERC briefed the Members about the Rules & Regulations of FOIR regarding composition of the Governing Body. The Chairpersons or Members of Regulatory Bodies/Authorities are nominated as Hony. Chairperson/Hony. Vice Chairperson/Hony. Member of the Governing Body based on their seniority, provided

they have at least one-year service remaining in their organization. They will continue to be in the Governing Body as long as they hold the office in their respective institutions. Based on the above norms, the constitution of the Governing Body for 2023-2024 was proposed. Further, it was informed that Shri Ravi Mittal, Chairperson, IBBI would take over as Hony. Chairperson of FOIR after Chairperson, AERA demits his office before the next General Body meeting.

13. The Members affirmed the proposed constitution of the Governing Body. Accordingly, the re-constituted Governing Body for 2023-2024 was approved by the Governing Body (Annexure-I). Member, RERA, Punjab suggested to increase the number of Hony. Members in the Governing Body, so that more Hony. Members can be accommodated in the GB. Accordingly, Members of the General Body decided to increase the number of Hony. Members from 6 to 8 in respect of representatives from State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Regulatory Authorities in the Governing Body. The General Body also approved the proposal of FOIR Secretariat that the condition of at least one year's service for being eligible to be in the Governing Body may not be applicable to the post of Hony. Secretary and Hony. Treasurer as it is necessary to fill in the vacancies (when they arise in CERC) for continuity in the activities of the FOIR Secretariat. Accordingly, the General Body passed necessary resolution for the aforesaid changes in the Rules & Regulations of FOIR (Annexure-II)

AGENDA ITEM NO.4: ACCOUNTS RELATED MATTERS:

(1) Budget for F.Y. 2023-2024.

14. Deputy Chief (RA), CERC explained the salient features of the proposed budget for F.Y. 2023-2024. After detailed deliberations, the General Body approved the Budget for F.Y. 2023-2024.

(2) Audited accounts for F.Y. 2022-2023 and related Resolutions.

15. The Forum was informed that the Audited Accounts were not qualified by the Auditor. The salient features of the Audited Accounts for the F.Y. 2022-2023 were explained. The necessary resolutions to be approved by the General Body relating to the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure as also utilization of earmarked funds were highlighted by the FOIR Secretariat. After detailed deliberations, the General Body approved the audited accounts for F.Y. 2023-2024.

(3) Appointment of Auditor for F.Y. 2023-2024 and Tax Consultant for filing the Income Tax Return for the F.Y. 2022-2023.

- 16. The Members were apprised that as per the past practice in FOIR, viz. on completion of the tenure of 3 years by a Chartered Accountant (CA) firm, fresh quotations will be called from the Chartered Accountant firms (empaneled with the C&AG of India), for auditing the Accounts of FOIR and filing of Income Tax returns, for a maximum term of 3 years. As per past practice, FOIR Sectt. will initiate the process of obtaining the list of the empaneled CA firms from the website of C&AG of India and calling for quotations from a few of them for auditing accounts FOIR for the F.Y. 2023-2024. Based on the same, the CA firm with the lowest quote (viz. L1) will be appointed as the auditor of FOIR.
- 17. Similarly, the process for appointing a Tax Consultant will also be initiated for filing the Income Tax Return of FOIR for F.Y. 2022-2023, for a maximum term of 3 years.
- 18. The General Body approved the above proposal.

(4) Re-investment of fixed deposits.

19. The Members were informed that FOIR has invested Rs.4.17 Crores in three fixed deposits, viz. two FDs of Rs.1.99 Crore each and one FD of Rs.19.01 lakh with Union Bank of India, Connaught Place, New Delhi, at 5.45% p.a. for a period of one year & one day, and all are maturing in July, 2023. Accordingly, the FDs on maturity will be re-invested with the public sector bank offering the highest rate of interest. The Members agreed the same.

AGENDA NO.5: UPDATE BY FOIR CENTRE, IICA

20. Director, FOIR Centre at IICA gave a brief background on the renewal of the MOU between IICA and FOIR and thereafter a short presentation (**Annexure III**) on the activities conducted during FY 2022-2023 and activities proposed for FY 2023 - 24.

a) Activities conducted during 2022-23

- 1. KYR Series with Chairperson, IRDAI
- 2. KYR Series with Chairperson, KSERC

- 3. KYR Series with Chairperson, WBERC
- 4. 4th & 5th batch of Online Certificate Course in Regulatory Governance
- 5. 3-day Capacity Building Program in Goa
- 6. Webinar on Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA)
- 7. 2 Issues of e-Newsletter 'Regulatory Digest'
- 8. FOIR 23rd AGM
- 9. FOIR 52nd GBM
- 10. Administrative support AGM, Registrar of Societies etc.

The General Body noted the activities of the FOIR Centre, IICA.

b) Activities proposed for 2023-24

- 1. 8 KYR Series / Webinars
- 2. 6th batch of Online Certificate Course in Regulatory Governance (revised)
- 3. Colloquium of Central Sector Regulatory Bodies Chairpersons
- 4. Conference for FOIR Members
- 5. 3-day Capacity Building Program (In-person)
- 6. International Research Conference
- 7. Study on "Alignment of regulation of different regulators and areas of cooperation among members"
- 8. 4 Issues of Quarterly e-Newsletter 'Regulatory Digest'
- 9. 12 Blog Articles
- 10. Administrative support AGM, Registrar of Societies etc.
- 21. The above activities have already been incorporated into the FOIR Budget for FY 2023-24 and approved in the 53rd Governing Body Meeting (GBM). The subject/theme of each program is to be finalized as per suggestions received from FOIR Members/ Subject Experts/FOIR Sectt. Director, FOIR Center at IICA added that the Suggestion Box available on the FOIR website may be used to send any feedback/suggestions regarding the planned activities.
- 22. Hony. Treasurer FOIR/ Member, CERC suggested that short clips of events/developments on a real time basis may be published on social media groups of

- FOIR for the benefit of members. The Forum agreed to this suggestion and requested IICA take the necessary action in this regard.
- 23. Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, TRAI stated that Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) has become important nowadays and that the Government has requested Regulators to conduct RIA before designing any regulation. While acknowledging that each regulation requires sector specific expertise, he suggested that some mechanisms of RIA may be put in place under the aegis of FOIR by empanelling some expert agencies to help member organizations. Chief (RA), CERC referred to the study already approved by the Governing Body in the 53rd GBM wrt "Alignment of regulation of different regulators and areas of cooperation among members." Director, FOIR Center at IICA added that the said study has already been included in the activities proposed for 2023-24 and that RIA in the Indian scenario will also be aligned with this study.
- 24. After discussion, the General Body approved all proposed activities.
- c) Annual Report of FOIR for 2022-23
- 25. The Annual Report of FOIR for FY 2022-23 was presented by the FOIR Centre, IICA and the General Body approved the same with the suggestion that initiatives of cross-sectoral collaboration among FOIR member organisations may be incorporated in the Annual Report.
- AGENDA ITEM 6: MECHANISM FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF FOIR WORKING GROUP ON "CROSS SECTOR COLLABORATIVE REGULATION BETWEEN TELECOM REGULATORS AND ELECTRICITY REGULATORS"-REFERENCE FROM TRAI
 - 26. Deputy Chief (RA), CERC informed the GB about a reference received from TRAI regarding the results of cross-sector collaboration that emerged from the FOIR (Forum of Indian Regulators) Working Group in 2020, which involved telecom regulators and electricity authorities and resulted in several recommendations for aerial and underground fibre deployment, 5G cells, smart metering, and a faster

- rollout of 5G. The report was previously discussed in the Forum of Regulators, which recommended several points for consideration at the State level.
- 27. Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, TRAI, updated the Forum that the collaboration has significantly benefited the telecom sector, particularly in the faster rollout of 5G. He appreciated the support from SERCs and CERC leading the way. He stated that a pilot project has been carried out that involved State discoms and infrastructure owners, such as advertisement billboards of Railways, Airports etc. through which the inventory of assets was assessed and stakeholders were brought together to ensure that no telecom operator monopolized State infrastructure. This resulted in an efficient rollout of 5G in the fastest manner possible. He specially mentioned the discoms of Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, and the North-Eastern States for providing permission within a 7 days period for the utilization of Discom electrical poles, which resulted in improved network connectivity in the farthest and remote villages and districts of the States.
- 28. He further added that certain SERCs are facing challenges during the implementation of this scheme and requested FOIR to develop a mechanism to understand the specific challenges faced by each State in the implementation process.
- 29. After a discussion, the General Body instructed the FOIR Secretariat to correspond with all State Electricity Regulatory Commissions (SERCs), seek a status regarding the challenges faced by the SERCs in implementing the scheme, and share the same with TRAI so that TRAI can assist in addressing the issues.

AGENDA ITEM 7: WORKING GROUP FOR ADOPTION OF 5G – REFERENCE FROM TRAI

30. The General Body members were updated about another reference received from TRAI, where they mentioned the potential of 5G technology in enabling unprecedented degrees of flexibility, productivity, and efficiency in various industry verticals.

- 31. Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR/ Chairperson, TRAI updated the General Body members regarding the success of 5G technology. He emphasized that the implementation of 5G is dependent on the use cases and applications developed by various vertical sectors. He informed that TRAI has recommended to the Government that all sectors should adopt technologies based on 5G and that it should not be solely the responsibility of the Department of Telecommunication to digitize the vertical economy. To implement this, every vertical sector should allocate a budget and take responsibility for stakeholder connectivity and providing devices. For the MSMEs sector, research has been conducted that has revealed that many of them have not adopted 4G technology to date. This was attributed to the higher costs associated with the induction of new technologies into the manufacturing sector and the resultant dominance of large-scale manufacturers.
- 32. To address this issue, he suggested constituting a Technical Working Group to explore suitable technologies for various verticals in sectors such as ports, airports, the food industry, and power. The Working Group would consist of one representative from Expert Member Regulator, with TRAI as the convener. The objective of the Working Group would be to assess how regulators can leverage new technologies and present the emerging application use cases in each sector. The Working Group will aim to explore the implementation of technologies such as data analytics, artificial intelligence, and machine learning in various sectors to enhance efficiency and productivity.
- 33. After discussion, the General Body decided that one Technical Member from Expert Regulator would be nominated to the Working Group. The FOIR Secretariat may send communication to all regulators, and efforts would be made to involve other sector regulators as well. Additionally, as requested by ex-officio, Member, CERC /Chairperson, CEA, one official from CEA would also be invited to the Working Group in a capacity as a Special Invitee. As per the recommendations of Hony. Chairperson, FOIR / Chairperson, AERA, it was also decided that one official each from the Airport Authority of India, Directorate General of Civil Aviation, and Railway Board may also be invited as a "Special Invitee" to this Technical Working Group.

- 34. Delivering the vote of thanks, Executive Secretary, FOIR/ Secretary, CERC, highlighted that consensus was achieved on several issues related to cross sector collaboration among the Regulators. He thanked Hony. Chairperson, Hony. Vice-Chairpersons, Hony. Members and all members who participated in the General Body meeting for their active participation and valuable contributions to the fruitful interaction. He also thanked the officials of FOIR Sectt. and IICA for organizing the AGM.
- 35. The Meeting concluded with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS OF THE 24TH ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS (FOIR) HELD ON 14TH JUNE, 2023 AT INDIA HABITAT CENTRE (IHC), NEW DELHI.

S. No.	Name	Designation	
1.	Mr. Balwinder Singh Bhullar	Hony. Chairperson, FOIR &	
		Chairperson, AERA	
2.	Dr. P.D. Vaghela	Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR &	
		Chairperson, TRAI	
3.	Mr. Jishnu Barua	Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR &	
		Chairperson, CERC	
4.	Ms. Ravneet Kaur	Hony. Vice-Chairperson, FOIR &	
		Chairperson, CCI	
5.	Mr. Indu Shekhar Jha	Hony. Secretary, FOIR &	
		Member, CERC	
6.	Mr. Arun Goyal	Hony. Treasurer, FOIR &	
	·	Member, CERC	
7.	Justice Amitav Kumar Gupta	Chairperson, JSERC	
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8.	Mr. Lokesh Dutt Jha	Chairperson, JERC for UTs of	
		J&K and Ladakh	
9.	Mr. P. Ravi Kumar	Chairperson, KERC	
10.	Mr. Sanjay Kumar	Chairperson, MERC	
11.	Mr. K.B. Kunwar	Chairperson, SSERC	
12.	Mr. M. Chandrasekar	Chairperson, TNERC	
13.	Mr. D.P. Gairola	Chairperson Incharge, UERC	
14.	Mr. Pravas Kumar Singh	Member	
		CERC	
15.	Mr. Shirish Krishna Vyawahare	Member, AERA	
16.	Mr. D.K. Kamra	Member, AERA	
17.	Mr. S.C. Chaurasia	Member, BERC	
18.	Mr. Vinod Deshmukh	Member, CSERC	
19.	Mr. Pramod Kumar Gupta	Member, CSERC	
20.	Ms. Jyoti Prasad	Member, JERC for State of Goa	
		& UTs	
21.	Mr. Ajay Gupta	JERC for UTs of J&K and	
		Ladakh	
22.	Mr. Rafi Andrabi	JERC for UTs of J&K and	
		Ladakh	
23.	Mr. M.D. Ravi	Member, KERC	
24.	Mr. A.J. Wilson	Member, KSERC	
25.	Mr. Prashant Kumar Chaturvedi	Member, MPERC	
26.	Mr. Sushanta Kumar Ray	Member, OERC	
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27.	Mr. Rakesh Kumar Goyal Member, RERA, Punjab		
28.	Mr. M.D. Manohar Raju	Member, TSERC	
29.	Mr. Bandaru Krishnaiah	Member, TSERC	
30.	Mr. Pulak Kumar Tewari	Member, WBERC	
31.	Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad	Ex-officio Member, CERC/	
		Chairperson, CEA	
32.	Mr. Umesh Narayan Panjiar	Ex-Chairperson, BERC	
33.	Mr. H.L. Bajaj	Ex-Chairperson, CEA	
34.	Mr. V.S. Ailawadi	Ex-Chairperson, HERC	
35.	Dr. V.K. Garg	Ex-Chairperson, JERC for State	
		of Goa & UTs	
36.	Mr. M.K. Goel	Ex-Chairperson, JERC for State	
		of Goa & UTs	
37.	Mr. I.A. Khan	Ex-Chairperson, TSERC	
38.	Mr. S.K. Jayaswal	Ex-Member, BERC	
39.	Mr. Ramesh Kumar Choudhary	Ex-Member, BERC	
40.	Mr. S.R. Sethi	Ex-Member, DERC	
41.	Ms. Anjuli Chandra	Ex-Member, PSERC	
42.	Ms. Neerja Mathur	Ex-Member, JERC for State of	
		Goa & UTs	
43.	Mr. S.C. Dhingra	Ex-Member, UPERC	
44.	Mr. R.D. Gupta	Ex-Member, UPERC	
45.	Mr. V.K. Khanna	Ex-Member, UERC	
46.	Mr. Harpreet Singh Pruthi	Executive Secretary, FOIR/	
		Secretary, CERC	
47.	Dr. Sushanta K. Chatterjee	Chief (RA), CERC	
	FOIR SECRETARIAT / OT	THER INVITEES	
48.	Mr. Praveen Kumar	DG & CEO, IICA	
49	Dr. Naveen Sirohi	Director, Associate Professor,	
		IICA	
50.	Ms. Rashmi S. Nair	Dy. Chief (RA), CERC	
51	Mr. Antony P. Mathew	Executive Treasurer, FOIR	
52.	Mr. Puneet Arora	Asst. Chief (Fin.)	
53.	Lt. Col. Pawan Uniyal	Joint Advisor, PNGRB	
54.	Dr. Ajay Garg	Dy. Director, FSSAI	
55.	Mr. M.M. Prasad	Sr. Accounts Officer	
56.	Mr. Nilesh Diwan	Accounts Officer	
57.	Mr. Kushal Pal	Research Associate	
58.	Ms. Ankita Tiwari	Fellow, IICA	
59	Mr. Sushil Kumar Arora	Administrative Officer	
60.	Mr. Davinder Kumar	Technical Officer (IT)	
61.	Mr. Avanish R. Srivastava	Consultant, IICA	
62.	Mr. Rahul	IICA CERC	
63.	Mr. Rahul	Record Keeper, CERC	

Annexure-I

APROVED GOVERNING BODY OF "FOIR"

FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024

Name & Designation	Date of Appointment in Regulatory Commission / Authority	Date of Retirement in Regulatory Commission / Authority
Hony. Chairperson	,	
Mr. Balwinder Singh Bhullar Chairperson, AERA	08.07.2019	11.05.2024 (a)
Hony. Vice-Chairperson		
Mr. Jishnu Barua Chairperson, CERC	02.03.2023	31.08.2027 (b)
Dr. P.D. Vaghela Chairperson, TRAI	01.10.2020	30.09.2023
Mr. Ravi Mittal Chairperson, IBBI	09.02.2022	12.09.2026
Mr. Raj Pratap Singh Chairperson, UPERC	02.07.2018	01.07.2023 (c)
Mr. D. Radhakrishna Chairperson, TERC	08.08.2019	07.08.2024
Mr. M Chandrasekar Chairperson, TNERC	16.08.2019	15.08.2024 (d)
Dr. Anil Kumar Jain Chairperson, PNGRB	18.05.2023	15.10.2027 (k)
Ms. Ravneet Kaur Chairperson, CCI	23.05.2023	22.05.2028 (I)
Mr Rajesh Bhushan, Chairperson, FSSAI	08.06.2022 (Date of joining FOIR)	31.7.2023
	28.11.2021 Date of joining FSSAI	
Chairperson, TAMP & Presiding Officer, Adjudicatory Board (when TAMP ceases to exist)		
Hony. Members		
Mr. M.D. Ravi Member, KERC	13.03.2019	12.03.2024 (e)
Mr. Naresh Sardana Member, HERC	29.05.2019	28.05.2024 (f)
Mr. Jiban Krishna Sen Member, TERC	08.08.2019	07.08.2024
Mr. Pulak Kumar Tweari Member, WBERC	01.10.2019	05.09.2024
Dr (Mrs) Sangeeta Verma Member, CCI (from Central Sector)	24.12.2018	17.09.2023 (g)

Mr. Sudhakar Shukla,	14.06.2023	30.09.2024 (h)
Member, IBBI (from Financial Sector)		
Mr. M.D. Manohar Raju	14.06.2023	29.10.2024 (m)
Member, TSERC		
Mr. Bandaru Krishnaiah	14.06.2023	29.10.2024 (n)
Member, TSERC		
Hony. Secretary	21.01.2019	20.01.2024 (i)
Mr. Indu Shekhar Jha		
Member, CERC		
Hony Treasurer	07.04.2020	02.08.2024 (j)
Mr. Arun Goyal		
Member, CERC		

- a) Mr. Ravi Mittal, Chairperson, IBBI will replace Mr. Balwinder Singh Bhullar, Chairperson, AERA (on completion of his tenure) and will serve as Hony. Chairperson of FOIR (from 12.05.2024 to 12.09.2026).
- b) Mr. Jishnu Barua, Chairperson, CERC has joined CERC on 02.03.2023, therefore, he will serve as Hony. Vice Chairperson (from 02.03.2023 to 31.08.2027).
- c) Mr. T. Sriranga Rao, Chairperson, TSERC will replace Mr. Raj Pratap Singh, Chairperson, UPERC and will serve as Hony. Vice Chairperson (from 02.07.2023 to 29.10.2024).
- d) In view of vacancy in Finance sector, Mr. M Chandrasekar, Chairperson, TNERC will continue to serve as Hony Vice Chairperson till 15.08.2024.
- e) Mr. Rafi Andrabi, Member JERC for UTs of J&K and Ladakh will replace Mr. M.D. Ravi, Member, KERC and will serve as Hony. Member (from 13.03.2024 to 24.05.2025).
- f) Mr. Paramjeet Singh, Member PSERC will replace Mr. Naresh Sardana, Member HERC and will serve as Hony. Member (from 29.05.2024 to 22.09.2025).
- g) Mr. Gajendra Singh, Member, PNGRB will replace Dr. (Mrs) Sangeeta Verma, Member, CCI, and will represent Member of Central Infrastructure (from 18.09.2023 to 13.06.2025).
- h) Mr. Sudhakar Shukla, Member, IBBI, represents Member of Financial Sector and will be serve as Hony. Member (from 14.06.2023 to 30.09.2024).
- i) Mr. Arun Goyal, Member, CERC will replace Mr. Indu Shekhar Jha, Member, CERC, and will serve as Hony Secretary (from 21.01.2024 to 02.08.2024).
- j) Mr. Pravas Kumar Singh, Member, CERC will replace Mr. Arun Goyal, Member CERC, and will serve as Hony. Treasurer (from 21.01.2024 to 19.05.2024).
- k) Dr. Anil Kumar Jain, Chairperson, PNGRB has joined PNGRB on 18.05.2023 and

will serve as Hony. Vice Chairperson (from 18.05.2023 to 15.10.2027).

- l) Ms. Ravneet Kaur, Chairperson, CCI has joined CCI on 23.05.2023 and will serve as Hony. Vice Chairperson (from 23.05.2023 to 22.05.2028).
- m) Consequent to increase in number of Hony. Member from 8 to 10 in the Governing Body, Mr. M.D. Manohar Raju, Member, TSERC will be serve as Hony. Member (from 14.06.2023 to 29.10.2024).
- n) Consequent to increase in number of Hony. Member from 8 to 10 in the Governing Body, Mr. Bandaru Krishnaiah, Member, TSERC will serve as Hony. Member (from 14.06.2023 to 29.10.2024).

The name of new Presiding Officer of Adjudicatory Board will be included (when TAMP ceases to exist) as Hony. Vice-Chairperson

The name of new Chairperson, FSSAI will be included in the Governing Body as Hony. Vice Chairperson, on joining the post after demitting office by Mr Rajesh Bhushan, Chairperson, FSSAI on 31.7.2023.

The name of new Chairperson, TRAI will be included in the Governing Body as Hony. Vice Chairperson, on joining the post after demitting office by Dr. P.D. Vaghela, Chairperson, TRAI on 30.09.2023.

The name of new Chairperson, AERA will be included in the Governing Body as Hony. Vice Chairperson on joining the post after demitting office by Mr. Balwinder Singh Bhullar, Chairperson, AERA on 11.05.2024.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED THAT in the $\bf 24^{th}$ General Body Meeting of FOIR held on $\bf 14^{th}$ June, 2023, the following changes in the Rules & Regulations of FOIR have been adopted and approved: -

CLAUSE	EXISTING RULES	CHANGES PROPOSED (IN BOLD)
11. Governing Body:		
	11.1 The management of the affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to the Governing Body, composed of Fifteen Members comprising: i. Honorary Chairperson (1) ii. Honorary Vice Chairperson (6) ii. Honorary Members (8)	11.1 The management of the affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to the Governing Body, composed of Seventeen Members comprising: i. Honorary Chairperson (1). ii. Honorary Vice Chairperson (6). ii. Honorary Members (10).
	iii. Honorary Members:	ii. Honorary Members:
	Honorary Member of the Governing Body should have at least one year's service left for becoming eligible to the respective post. Honorary Member of the Governing Body shall hold office in the Governing Body till he continues to hold the post of a Member of his respective Regulatory Commission/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority. Four members shall be from State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority, one shall be from Central Infrastructure Sector, one shall be from financial Sector, one Honorary Secretary shall be from Central Electricity Regulatory Commission and one Honorary Treasurer shall be from Central Electricity Regulatory Commission.	Honorary Member of the Governing Body should have at least one year's service left for becoming eligible to the respective post. Honorary Member of the Governing Body shall hold office in the Governing Body till he continues to hold the post of a Member of his respective Regulatory Commission/other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority. Six members shall be from State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority, one shall be from Central Infrastructure Sector, one shall be from financial Sector, one Honorary Secretary shall be from Central Electricity Regulatory Commission and one Honorary Treasurer shall be from Central Electricity Regulatory Commission. Provided the condition that at least one year's service should be left for becoming eligible to be in the Governing Body shall not be applicable in
	iv. Out of six representatives from State Electricity Regulatory commissions /other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority in the Governing Body, three shall be Chairperson	respect of Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.
	of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority and three shall be Members of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority which will be decided on the basis of their seniority. Out of three Chairperson of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority, two senior most Chairpersons could be Honorary Vice Chairperson. Seniority of the Chairperson/Members of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority would be decided on the basis of their tenure in the Regulatory Commission as Chairperson/Member. Provided further that Members from sectors other than electricity sector would be decided by the respective Regulatory Authority. Provided further that a vacancy against a sector could be transferred to any other Central or state sector if there is no representation possible from such vacancy.	iv. Out of eight representatives from State Electricity Regulatory commissions/other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority in the Governing Body, four shall be Chairperson of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Regulatory Authority and four shall be Members of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Regulatory Bodies which will be decided on the basis of their seniority. Out of four Chairperson of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Authority, three senior most Chairpersons could be Honorary Vice Chairperson. Seniority of the Chairperson /Members of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/other Infrastructure Authority would be decided on the basis of their tenure in the Regulatory Commission as Chairperson /Member. Provided further that Members from sectors other than electricity sector
		would be decided by the respective Regulatory

Authority. Provided further that a vacancy against a sector could be transferred to any other Central or state sector if there is no representation possible from such vacancy.