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Applications are invited from (i) retired Judge of the High Court, (ii) retired Secretary to the State / Central Government, and (iii) retired Chief Executive Officer of Electricity Utilities, who aspires to be considered for appointment as "Electricity Ombudsman". Interested person may send their detailed resume along with recent photograph to the Secretary, Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, 13<sup>th</sup> floor, Centre-1, World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade, Colaba, Mumbai – 400 005. The last date for receipt of application is 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

For other details regarding terms and conditions of appointment, monthly emoluments, etc., kindly visit the Commission's website "**[mercindia.org.in](http://mercindia.org.in)**"

(K.N. Khawarey)  
Secretary, MERC

Mumbai  
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**Terms and Conditions for appointment of Electricity Ombudsman under Section 42 (6) of the Electricity Act, 2003.**

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1	<p><b>Period of Appointment:</b> The appointment or designation of the person(s) as Electricity Ombudsman shall be for a period of 3 years;</p> <p>Provided that the tenure of the Electricity Ombudsman may be extended by the Commission for a further period not exceeding two (2) years subject to an overall age limit of seventy (70) years.</p>
2	<p><b>Relinquish of Office :</b> The Electricity Ombudsman may relinquish his office by giving in writing to the Commission a prior notice of not less than three (3) months.</p>
3	<p><b>Consolidated Emoluments :</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall be paid monthly consolidated emoluments in the Scale of Pay Rs.37400-67000, Grade Pay Rs.10,000/-</p> <p>Provided that, in case of an appointment of a person as a Electricity Ombudsman, who is retired from services under the State Government, Central Government, High Court, and who is in receipt of or has received or has become entitled to receive any retirement benefit by way of pension, other form of monthly retirement benefits, the monthly consolidated emoluments shall be reduced by the gross amount of pension or any other form of monthly retirement benefit, if any drawn or to be drawn by him.</p> <p>The Consolidated Emolument would remain fixed for a year and would be revised every year.</p> <p>The Consolidated Emolument would work out by considering pay in</p>

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	aforesaid pay Grade and the other monetized benefits of allowance available to a Regular Officer of the Commission i.e. Basic Pay + Grade Pay + DA + HRA + CLS.
4	<b>Peon Allowance:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled to receive peon allowance at the same rate as admissible to the officers of the Pay Grade of Rs.10,000/- as per the Government Resolution.
5	<b>Sumptuary Allowance:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled to receive sumptuary allowance of Rs.3,000/- per month.
6	<b>Residential Accommodation:</b> The Commission shall not provide residential accommodation to the Electricity Ombudsman. He shall be entitled to receive Consolidated Emoluments including HRA.
7	<b>Vehicle Allowance:</b> Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled to purchase office vehicle as per the GR No. Vhan-10.08/CR-10/08/VINIYAM dated 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2010.
8	<b>Leave:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled (i) 8 days casual leave (ii) 30 days earned leave and (iii) 20 days half pay leave during the calendar year or part thereof.  Any leave at the credit of the Electricity Ombudsman shall lapse on the date on which Electricity Ombudsman vacates his office  <b>Leave sanctioning authority:</b> The Chairman, or in his absence, the Senior Member of Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission would be the authority competent to sanction leave.
9	<b>Leave Travel Concession:</b> Electricity Ombudsman and his family (family means wife, dependent children) shall be entitled for LTC facility for his home town once during initial period of 3 years and once during the further extended period of one year or two years. Eligibility criteria shall be as per TA Rules.
10	<b>Travel for Official work:</b>

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	While on outstation tours, Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled to draw Traveling Allowance and Daily Allowance at the same rate, as are applicable to the Officer of the corresponding Grade Pay of Rs.10,000/-, as per TA Rules.
11	<b>Joining Facility:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall not be eligible for reimbursement of expenses, if any, incurred for joining the duty at the time of appointment or at the time of extended tenure.
12	<b>Telephone /mobile / internet / News Papers / Journals facility for residence:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman would be eligible for telephone/ mobile, internet/news papers/ journals for his resident as per the Government Resolution (GR).
13	<b>Medical Facilities:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall be entitled to medical treatment and reimbursement of medical expenses, as applicable to the regular employees of the Commission under relevant Regulations.
14	<b>Facilities upon demission of office:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall not be eligible for reimbursement of expenses incurred on transportation, fare, shifting of personal effects etc. on completion of his tenure.
15	<b>Retirement / Terminal benefits:</b> The Electricity Ombudsman shall not be entitled for retirement / terminal benefits or facilities after completing of his tenure.
16	<b>Interpretation or amendments of conditions:</b> The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission shall be the competent authority to interpret or amend these terms and conditions, and its decision shall be final.