# FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS (FOIR) Minutes of 45<sup>th</sup> Governing Body Meeting

# VENUE : CONFERENCE HALL CERC, NEW DELHI,

# DAY / DATE : WEDNESDAY, THE 20th JUNE, 2018

The meeting was chaired by Shri S. Machendranathan (Chairperson, AERA), the Hony. Chairman, Forum of Indian Regulators (FOIR). He extended a warm welcome to all members of the Governing Body. List of participants is **enclosed** at **Annexure-I**.

Mrs. Rashmi Nair, Deputy Chief (Regulatory Affairs), CERC, welcomed the officials and informed the members that Shri P.K.Pujari, Chairperson, CERC and Shri D.K.Sarraf, (represented by Secretary, PNGRB), Chairperson, PNGRB were attending their first FOIR meeting after they assumed charge in their respective organizations. Hence, the agenda on reconstitution of the GB would be taken up first so that the new members may be formally inducted in the Governing body, enabling them to take decisions on the remaining agenda items.

# Agenda Item 1: Reconstitution of Governing Body of "FOIR"

Shri P.K.Pujari, Chairperson, CERC and Shri D.K.Sarraf, Chairperson, PNGRB were formally inducted and welcomed into the Governing Body. It was further informed that the composition of the Governing Body is based on the Rules and Regulations of "FOIR" which provide *inter-alia* that the Chairperson or Members of Electricity Regulatory Commissions/ Authorities would be appointed based on their seniority, subject to the condition that he/ she has at least one year's service left. Accordingly, the proposed Governing Body (as enclosed at **Annexure II**) was approved.

# Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 44<sup>th</sup> Governing Body Meeting of "FOIR" held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at New Delhi

The minutes of the 44<sup>th</sup> Governing Body Meeting of "FOIR" held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at New Delhi as circulated were confirmed.

# Agenda Item 3:

I. Approval of Budget for FY 2018-19.

# II. Accounts related issues - Inclusive of Audited Accounts and Resolutions

III. Appointment of Tax Consultant for filing the Income Tax Return for FY 2017-18

**IV.** Appointment of Consultants for following-up with the Income Tax Department (viz. refund for previous years & deletion of demand for the previous years).

# (I) Budget for FY 18-19.

The Budget estimate for the FY 2018-2019 placed at Annexure-III was discussed in detail.

It was informed that FOIR is having estimated income of Rs. 1.65 crore out of which Rs. 1.36 crore is from subscription and Rs. 29 lakh from interest from investments. Shri A.K.Singhal, Hony Secretary, FOIR and Member, CERC advised to formulate an investment policy in FOIR for effective use of funds. He stated that all funds should not be invested in auto-sweep fund in one bank and that quotes may be invited from PSU Banks for effective investment. The GB deliberated on this issue and concurred that there would be no more auto-sweep of FDs in same bank once the current FDs mature. It also advised FOIR secretariat to seek quotes in advance from public sector banks for a period of 366 days and invest with banks who give the best rate. In this regard, FOIR secretariat should propose the investment policy for FOIR.

It was further informed that of the estimated expenditure of Rs. 63 lakh, Rs 40 lakh has been allocated for RTI consisting of training, workshop and studies. The GB deliberated on this issue and stated that further decision with respect to conducting programmes under RTI and other important issues in FOIR w.r.t. functioning and future action plans will be taken by the Sub-Committee of FOIR to be constituted of a) Chairman, AERA, b) Chairman, CERC and c) Chairman, IBBI. The FOIR secretariat will assist the Sub-Committee as directed. The Budget

was approved in toto and it was directed that all major expenses should be incurred with the approval of Hony Chairperson, FOIR.

## **II** Accounts related issues

a. Appointment of Auditor for auditing the Accounts for FY 17-18: It was informed that M/s V.P.Gupta & Company, Chartered Accountants, New Delhi (firm empanelled with the C&AG of India) have been appointed to audit the Accounts of FOIR for the FY 2017-2018. The GB approved the same.

**b.** The Audited Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account of "FOIR" placed at **Annexure-IV** for the FY 2017-2018 was approved and adopted.

**c.** Resolutions in respect of approval of the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account and for authorization of the officials to sign the Audited Annual Accounts, for appointing auditor and for filing documents with ITA and Registrar of Society etc. placed at Annexure-V(a) was approved.

**d.** A Resolution towards utilization of earmarked fund pertaining to FY 2017-18, amounting to Rs. 1,17,73,752.25 in next five years i.e. by the end of F.Y. 2022-23, placed at **Annexure – V** (b) was approved.

# (III) Appointment of Tax Consultant for filing the Income Tax Return for FY 2017-18

It was informed that CA Munesh Kumar Singh of M/s M M & Associates, Chartered Accountants, New Delhi have been appointed to file the Income Tax Return of FOIR for the FY 2017-2018. The GB approved the same.

It was further informed that the proposal for engagement of Tax Consultant for deletion of the income tax demands raised by the IT Department for the Assessment Years 2013-14, 2015-16 & 2016-17, has been approved by the Competent Authority. Accordingly,

CA Munesh Kumar Singh of M/s MM & Associates has been engaged and appointment letter to this effect was issued on 25.05.2018. The proposal was approved by the GB.

## Agenda Item 4: Amendment of the Rules & Regulations of FOIR.

The current Rules of FOIR indicate the quantum of subscription fees for each category of Membership. As the fees are subject to change, the GB approved the proposal of not indicating the fees in the Rules. These would be separately communicated to Members/ Organizations interested to join FOIR.

The GB also observed that at the time of framing the Rules and Regulation of FOIR, the post of Assistant Secretary (FOR) in CERC was not sanctioned. Therefore, the post of Assistant Secretary, (P&A) in CERC was designated as Executive Treasurer of FOIR. Since the Assistant Secretary (FOR) of CERC is now handling the functions of FOIR, GB concurred to the proposal of incorporating Assistant Secretary (FOR) instead of Assistant Secretary, CERC in the Rules for designating as Executive Treasurer of FOIR.

The GB also concurred to the other changes in Rules of FOIR that when any Central Sector Regulatory Authority(ies) becomes a member of FOIR, the Chairperson of that organization would by default become the Hony. Vice Chairman of FOIR. This is in accordance to the decision of the GB in its 42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2016. To that extent, the modified Rules were approved.

FOIR Secretariat was directed to file all such approved modifications to the Rules (**as at Annexure-VI**) before the Registrar of Societies.

# Agenda Item 5: Reference from Shri V.S.Ailawadi , Hony. Member, FOIR on Stranded Capacity resulting in Stressed Assets

It was decided that the agenda of Stressed Assets may be taken up for discussion in the AGM

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

# Annexure-I

# List of Participants

# FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS (FOIR) <u>45<sup>th</sup> Governing Body Meeting</u> DAY / DATE : WEDNESDAY, THE 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2018

Sno	Name	Designation	Organization
1	Shri S. Machendranathan	Chairperson	AERA
2	Shri R.S. Sharma	Chairperson	TRAI
3	Shri Dcvender Kumar Sikri	Chairperson	CCI
4	Dr. M.S. Sahoo	Chairperson	IBBI
5	Shri D.K. Sarraf	Chairperson	PNGRB
6	Shri P.K. Pujari	Chairperson	CERC
7	Shri Anand Karna,	Chairperson	GERC
8	Shri Narayan Singh	Chairperson	CSERC
9	Shri T.S. Balasubramanian	Acting Chairperson	TAMP
10	Shri A.K. Singhal	Member	CERC
11	Shri A.S. Bakshi	Member	CERC
12	Dr. M.K. lyer	Member	CERC
13	Shri G. Rajagopal	Member	TNERC
14	Shri M.S. Puri	Member	HERC
15	Shri D.B. Manival Raju	Member	KERC
16	Shri H.D. Arun Kumar	Member	KERC
17	Shri Sanoj Kumar Jha	Secretary	CERC
18	Dr.Sushanta K. Chatterjee	Jt.Chief (RA)	CERC

# **Annexure-II**

# PROPOSED GOVERNING BODY OF "FOIR" FOR THE YEAR 2018 - 19

Name & Designation	Date of Appointment in Regulatory Commission / Authority	Date of Retirement in Regulatory Commission / Authority
Hony. Chairman		
Mr. S. Machendranathan Chairperson, AERA	09.03.2015	06.03.2019
Hony. Vice-Chairman		
Mr. R.S. Sharma Chairperson, TRAI	10.08.2015	09.08.2018
Mr. Devender Kumar Sikri Chairperson, CCI	11.01.2016	12.07.2018
Dr. M.S. Sahoo Chairperson, IBBI	01.10.2016	30.09.2021
Mr. D.K. Sarraf Chairperson, PNGRB	04.12.2017	03.12.2020
Mr. P.K. Pujari Chairperson, CERC	01.02.2018	31.01.2021
Mr. Anand Kumar Chairperson, GERC	02.08.2011	04.04.2021
Mr. Narayan Singh Chairperson, CSERC	15.07.2013	14.07.2018*
Mr. S. Akshayakumar Chairperson, TNERC	09.06.2014	08.06.2019
Chairperson, WDRA		
Chairperson, TAMP		

Hony. Members		
Mr. G. Rajagopal, Member, TNERC	10.01.2014	09.01.2019
Mr. M.S. Puri, Member, HERC	27.02.2014	09.09.2018**
Mr. D.B. Manivel Raju, Member, KERC	05.03.2014	22.12.2018***
Mr. H.D. Arun Kumar, Member, KERC	05.03.2014	04.03.2019
Vacant, Central Infrastructure Sector		-
Vacant, Financial Sector		-
Hony. Secretary		
Mr. A.K. Singhal, Member, CERC	09.10.2013	08.10.2018
Hony. Treasurer	·	
Mr. A.S. Bakshi, Member, CERC	05.08.2014	23.07.2018****

\*Mr. Jagjeet Singh, Chairperson, HERC will replace Mr. Narayan Singh, Chairperson, CSERC and will serve as Hony. Vice-Chairman, (from 15.07.2018 to 12.08.2019).

\*\*Mr. K. Vikraman Nair, Member, KSERC will replace Mr. M.S. Puri, Member, HERC and will serve as Hony. Member (from 10.09.2018 – 04.12.2019).

\*\*\*Mr.K.M. Shringarpure, Member, GERC will replace Mr. D.B. Manival Raju, Member, KERC and will serve as Hony. Member (from 23.12.2018 – 28.12.2019).

\*\*\*\*Dr. M.K. Iyer, Member, CERC will replace Mr. A.S. Bakshi, Member CERC and will serve as Hony. Treasurer (from 24.07.2018 to 08.10.2018) and will again replace Mr. A.K. Singhal, Member, CERC and will serve as Hony. Secretary (from 09.10.2018 till the date of retirement in CERC).

\*\*\*\*New Member, CERC will replace, Dr. M.K. Iyer, Member, CERC and will serve as Hony. Treasurer (from 09.10.2018 till the date of retirement in CERC)

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# STATUS FOR THE YEAR 2017-2018 and PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2018-2019

S. No	Head	Budget for F Y 2017- 18	Actual Receipts for FY 2017-18	Proposed Budget for FY 2018-19
		(inRs.)	(inRs.)	(inRs.)
	INCOME			
	Member's Subscription (for F.Y. 2017- 18 @ Rs. 4.00 lakh for Regulatory Authorities [29 nos.] & @ Rs. 2.00 lacs for Regulatory Auth orities NE States & Academic/Research Insti tutions [6 nos.] ) (for F.Y. 2018-19 @ Rs. 4.00 lakh for Regulatory Authorities [31 nos.] & @ Rs. 2.00 lakh for Regulatory Authorities NE States & Academ ic/Research Institutions [6 nos.])		11540000	13600000
	Member's Subscription receivable for previ ous year <sup>1</sup>	400000	400000	-
	Interest from Savings Bank Account	1000	6493	5000
	Interest from Auto Sweeps with Corporatio n Bank <sup>2</sup>	2700000	2508670	2900000
	TOTAL	15901000	14455163	16505000

S. No	Head	Budget for F Y 2017-18	Actual Payments for F.Y. 2017-18	Proposed Budget for F.Y. 2018-19
		(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)
	EXPENDITURE			
1	Meeting Expenses <sup>3</sup>	678428	293222	600000
2	Salary	50000	49846	0
3	<u>Secretariat Costs:</u>			
3a	Audit Fees	28750	28750	30000
3b	Bank Charges	500	0	500
3c	Honorarium <sup>4</sup>	20000	20000	20000
3d	Membership Fees (IHC)	17250	17250	17700
3e	Misc. Expenses (e-TDS Filing Fees)	500	179	500
3f	Professional Fees <sup>5</sup>	51000	6250	98000
3g	Printing & Stationary <sup>6</sup>	10000	60	10000
3h	Travelling & Conveyance <sup>7</sup>	100000	3980	100000
3i	Website Expenses	15000	10970	15000
3j	Office Expenses <sup>8</sup>	1631842	1390510	1392204
3k	Advertisement & Publicity	150000	0	100000
	TOTAL (1 to 3k)	2753270	1821017	2383904
4	Research / Workshop, Training & Informati on 9 & 10	9660801	1266991	4000000
	GRAND TOTAL (i.e. TOTAL + 4)	12414071	3088008	6383904
*	As can be seen, there has been a surplus bu dgeting for the F.Y. 2018- 19, i.e. Rs.1.01 cro re (i.e. an		PROJECTED SURPLUS	(FY 17-18)
	expenditure of Rs. 0.64 crore, aga inst an income of Rs. 1.65 Crore). Further, t he accumulated reserves will be Rs. 1.58 Cr ore (appox subject to the		PROJECTED SURPLUS	(FY 18-19)

finalisation of t he accounts) as on 31.03.2018 <sup>#</sup> .		

# **Working Notes:**

- 1. The membership fee receivable from the Members of FOIR for the previous years is shown under **Appendix-I**.
- 2. The actual interest received from autosweeps/ flexi-deposits during the FY 2017-18 is less than the budgeted income, due to reduction in the rate of interest on deposits. Further, the budgeted income from interest from autosweeps/ flexi-deposits for the FY 2018-19 is only a projection. The actual income will vary, depending upon the full/ partial withdrawals of the same.
- During the FY 2017-18, the actual expenditure (i.e. Rs.2.93 lakh) incurred is less than the budgeted expenditure (i.e. Rs.6.78 lakh). This is because 1 (one) Governing Body Meeting proposed to be held outside Delhi, could not be held, resulting in a saving of Rs. 3.60 lakh. For the FY 2018-19, a budget of Rs. 6 lakh is proposed, i.e. for one AGM & Two Governing Body Meetings to be held in New Delhi.
- 4. Honorarium expenses include payment to Guest faculties for taking session in FOIR. Therefore, an amount of **Rs. 20,000/-** has been proposed for the F.Y. 2018-19.
- 5. During the FY 2017-18, the actual expenditure (Rs. 0.07 lakh) incurred is less than the budgeted expenditure (Rs. 0.51 lakh). This is because the earlier Tax Consultant appointed to handle the income tax cases (viz. deletion of demands, refund of earlier years & renewal of 80G certificate) of FOIR, did not pursue the cases. Now, FOIR Secretariat has appointed a new Tax Consultant who has initiated the process of filing necessary documents with the CIT(A), in order to get the demands for the Assessment Years 2013-14, 2015-16 & 2016-17 deleted, at the earliest. Further, FOIR is also in the process of appointing a Tax Consultant to handle the other income tax related issues, viz. getting refund of earlier years & renewal of 80G certificate. Therefore, a budget of Rs. 0.98 lakh is proposed towards the professional services of the Tax Consultants.
- 6. The budget on account of printing & stationery for the FY 2018-19, is proposed on account of printing cost of letterheads, printing & binding of agenda papers for the Governing Body, Annual General Meeting, Special Annual General Meeting (if any) & Workshop/ Research Conference and other miscellaneous related works.
- 7. The budget on account of traveling & conveyance for the FY 2018-19, is proposed on account of booking of air/ train tickets for the support staff required to travel during the meetings held outside Delhi, engaging taxis during the meetings held in Delhi, local traveling etc. (if any).

- 8. Against the budget of Rs. 16.32 lakh for FY 2017-18, a budget of Rs. 13.92 lakh is being proposed under the head Office Expenses for the F.Y. 2018-19, i.e. a decrease of Rs. 2.40 lakh as compared to the FY 2017-18. The distribution of the proposed budget of Rs.13.92 lakh under the head "Office Expenses" consists of reimbursement to CERC towards various secretariat costs, which forms only a part amount of actual expenditure incurred in CERC (Rs. 10.37 lakh) and labour (outsourcing) expenses (Rs. 3.55 lakh, i.e. payment to outsourced agency for providing the services of one Junior Executive (Accounts).
- 9. Under the head RTI, a budget of Rs. 96.61 lakh was proposed for the FY 2017-18, which also included an amount of Rs. 58.90 lakh towards the capital expenditure on account of RRTI and expenditure on account of training programme for the officers under the flagship of RTI and Workshop/ Research Conference. Of the last year's budget, an amount of Rs. 7.71 lakh has been spent towards the specific purpose, i.e. reimbursement over & above the committed expenditure of Rs.15 lakh by TAMP, for conducting a Research/ Workshop during the m/o February 2017. Also, during the FY 2017-18, 1st Executive Management Workshop was conducted under the flagship of RRTI on 11th & 12th September, 2017 at CERC's premises, against which an expenditure of Rs.4.96 lakh was incurred. For the FY 2018-19, a budget of Rs.40 lakh is proposed on account of conducting one Study as also Orientation programs for Regulators/ Regulatory staff for which the services of any organisation/ agency will be taken.
- As on 31.03.2018, an amount of Rs. 3,77,97,989/- is the accumulated balance of earmarked funds u/s 11(5) of IT Act, 1961, i.e. Rs. 30,73,279/- for F.Y. 2013-14, Rs. 44,73,834/- for F.Y. 2014-15, Rs. 97,09,042/- for F.Y. 2015-16, Rs. 91,08,742/- for F.Y. 2016-17 and Rs. 1,14,33,093/- for F.Y. 2017-18 (projected, subject to the finalization of th e accounts), which has to be fully utilised by the end of F.Y. 2018-19, F.Y. 2019-20, F.Y. 2020- 21, F.Y. 2021-22 and F.Y. 2022-23, respectively.
- 11. The earlier Statutory Auditor of FOIR has highlighted the issue regarding the applicability of service tax on the membership fee of FOIR. In this regard, FOIR has taken an informal advice from a Tax Counsultant (Service Tax expert). He has informed that service tax was leviable on the membership fee of FOIR since 01.07.2012, prior to which the services were not taxable. The same was due for payment on the basis of billing, i.e. on or before 6th of the subsequent month, in which the bills were raised. **Therefore, in this regard, it is stated that if the service tax issue arises with liabilities, the same will be met from the Reserves & Surplus of FOIR.**

# (A) Funds availability is as follows:

Corporation Bank (A/c 556358) including in Auto Sweep FDRs - Rs. 4.96 crores (appox.)

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# FORM NO.10B

[See rule 17B]

### Audit report under section 12A (b) of the Income-tax Act, 1961, in the case of Charitable or religious trusts or institutions

We have examined the balance sheet of: FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS as at 31.03.2018 and the INCOME & EXPENDITURE account for the year ended on that dates, which are in agreement with the books of account, maintained by the said institution.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which are to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of the audit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the head office and the branches (nil) of the above-named Institution visited by us so far as appears from our examination of the books, and proper returns adequate for the purposes of audit have been received from branches (nil) not visited by us subject to the comments given below:

In our opinion and to the best of our information, and according to information given to us the said accounts give a true and fair view -

- (i) in the case of the balance sheet, of the state of affairs of the above named Institution as at 31.03.2018.
- (ii) in the case of the INCOME & EXPENDITURE account, of its income during the accounting year ending on 31.03.2018.

The prescribed particulars are annexed hereto.

For V.P. Gupta & Co. Chartered Accountants FRN 000699N

CA V.P. Gupta Partner M.No.: 080557

Place :- New Delhi Date: - .06.2018

#### ANNEXURE STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

	I. APPLICATION OF INCOME FOR CHARITABLE OR RELIG	IOUS PURPOSES
1.	Amount of income of the previous year applied to charitable or	22,64,296/-
2.	religious purposes in India during that year. Whether the institution has exercised the option under clause (2) of	
de.	the Explanation to section 11(1)?If so, the details of the Amount of	
	income deemed to have been applied to charitable or religious	
	purposes in India during the previous year	No
3.	Accumulated or set apart*	
	Amount of income for application	
	Finally set apart	24 77 2741
	To charitable or religious purposes, to the extent it does not exceed	24,77,274/-
	15 per cent of the income derived from property held Wholly*	
	Under trust for such purposes	
	In part only	
4.	Amount of income eligible for exemption under section 11(1) (c)	
	(Give details)	-Nil-
5.	Amount of income, in addition to the amount referred to in item	1 17 77 6071
	3 above, accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under	1,17,73,593/-
	section 11(2)	
6.	Whether the amount of income mentioned in item 5 above has been	Yes, the amount of income has been invested in deposits
	invested or deposited in the manner laid down in section 11(2)(b)? If so, The details thereof.	with scheduled hank.
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7.	Whether any part of the income in respect of which an option was	
	exercised under clause (2) of the Explanation to section 11(1) in	
	any earlier year is deemed to be income of the previous year under	NA
	section 11(1B)? If so, the details thereof.	
8.	Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated	
8.	Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier	
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8.	<ul> <li>Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier year—</li> <li>(a) has been applied for purposes other than charitable or religious purposes or has ceased to be accumulated or set apart for</li> </ul>	No
8.	Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier year	No
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8.	<ul> <li>Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier year—</li> <li>(a) has been applied for purposes other than charitable or religious purposes or has ceased to be accumulated or set apart for application thereto, or</li> <li>(b) has ceased to remain invested in any security referred to in</li> </ul>	No
8.	<ul> <li>Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier year—</li> <li>(a) has been applied for purposes other than charitable or religious purposes or has ceased to be accumulated or set apart for application thereto, or</li> <li>(b) has ceased to remain invested in any security referred to in section 11(2)(i) or deposited in any account referred to in</li> </ul>	
8.	<ul> <li>Whether, during the previous year, any part of income accumulated or set apart for specified purposes under section 11(1) in any earlier year—</li> <li>(a) has been applied for purposes other than charitable or religious purposes or has ceased to be accumulated or set apart for application thereto, or</li> <li>(b) has ceased to remain invested in any security referred to in</li> </ul>	

(c) has not been utilised for purposes for which it was accumulated Yes, Rs. 9,13,220.42 was or set apart during the period for which it was to be accumulated or accumulated in the A.Y. set apart, or in the year immediately following the expiry thereof? 2012-13 but the association If so, the details thereof

could not spend the same during the specified period and the period has elapsed. Accordingly the association is offering the same for tax during the current year.

#### Audit Report U/S.12A(b)

#### II.APPLICATION OR USE OF INCOME OR PROPERTY FOR THE BENEFIT OF PERSONS REFERRED TO IN SECTION 13(3)

- 1. Whether any part of the income or property of the institution was lent, or continues to lent, in the previous year to any person referred to in section 13(3) (hereinafter referred to in this Annexure as such person)? If so ,give details of the amount , rate of interest charged and the nature of security, if any
- 2. Whether any part land, building or other property of the institution was made, or continued to be made, available for the use of any such person during the previous year? If so, give details of the property and the amount of rent or compensation charged , if any
- Whether any payment was made to any person during the previous year by way of salary, allowance or otherwise? If so, give details.
- 4. Whether the services of the institution were made available to any such person during the previous year? If so, give details thereof together with remuneration or compensation received, if any
- 5. Whether any share, security or other property was purchased by or on behalf of the institution during the previous year from any such person? If so, give details thereof together with the consideration paid
- 6. Whether any share, security or other property was sold by or on behalf of the institution during the previous year to any such person? If so, give details thereof together with the consideration received
- 7. Whether any income or property of the institution was diverted during the previous year in favour of any such person? If so, give details thereof together with the amount of income or value of property so diverted
- 8. Whether the income or property of the institution was used or applied during the previous year for the benefit of any such person in any other manner? If so, give details

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

### III. INVESTMETS HELD AT ANY TIME DURING THE PREVIOUS YEARS IN CONCERNS IN WHICH PERSONS REFERRED TO IN SECTION 13(3) HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST

Sl. No.	Name and address of the concern	Where the concern is a company, number and class of shares held	Nominal value Of the investment	Income from the investment	Whether the amount In col.4 exceeded 5 per cent of the capital of the concern during the previous year -say Yes/No
1	2	3	4	5	6

N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

Total

For V.P. Gupta & Co. Chartered Accountants FRN 000699N

CA V.P. Gupta Partner M.No.: 080557

Place :- New Dethi Date: - .06.2018

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Balance Sheet as at	31st March 2018	T	
		As at 31.3.2018	As at 31.3.
L. C.	Schedule	(Amount in Rs.)	(Amount is
SOURCES OF FUNDS			
Research, Training & Information Fund	1	381,38,648	27
	2	158,62,343	12
Reserve & Surplus A/c	-	1	
Current Liabilities	3	12,62,551	1
Expenses Payable			
station and the state of the st			
Total		552,63,542	43
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Investments	4	495,97,000	39
In Auto Sweeps/Flext Deposits with Nationalised Bank			
Ourrent Assets Loans & Advances			
Cash & Bank Balances			
Cash in Hand		15,192	
Balance in Savings Account			
Other Receivables:		5,56,038	
Interest Accrued on Auto Sweeps/Flexi Deposits TDS Receivable	5	10,26,448	
Membership Subscription Receivable		40,60,000	
Interest Receivable on IT Refund (for A.Y. 2014-15)		4,671	
Prepaid Expenses (Website)			
Total	1	\$52,63,542	4
Significant Accounting Policies and Notes an Accounts	6		
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For V.P. Gupta & Co.			
Chartered Accountants			
FRN: 000699N			
CA V.P. Gupta Partner			
Partner M.No.: 080557			
Place: New Delhi			

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Income & Expenditure Acc			larch. 2018	
			As at 31.3.2018	
			(Amount in Rs.)	As at 3 (Amour
INCOME				
Member's Subcriptions				
	Current	Previous	140,00,000	15
Interest:	Year	Year		
in Savings Bank Account	6,493	696		
on AutoSweep FDRs	25,08,858	23,39,361		
			25,15,351	2
1				2
		-	165,15,351	150
EXPENDITORE			1	
Audit Fees				
Bank Charges		1	29,500 1	
Establishment Expenses			-	
Meeting Expenses		1	2.14.794	6
Membership Fees			17,250	
Office Expenses			14,42,346	5
Frinting & Stationery Professional Fees			60	
e-IDS Filling Fees			49,025	
Travelling & Conveyance			179	
Membership Fee Receivable w/off			3,980	-
Website Expenses		1	-	
		-	10,970	10
Add: Expenditure on account of Research, Training & Information	tion Fund		4,96,190	16;
		1	22,64,296	36
Net Profit/(Loss)		T	142,51,055	113
Less: Prior period expenditure Excess of Income over Expenditure of the year			-	
		-	142,51,055	113,5
Amount Transferred to Research Training & Information Fun Balance of Supplus Transferred to Reserve & Supplus	3		117,73,752	91,0
Total		-	24,77,303	22,5
A is is is		-	142,51,055	1135
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F.Y. 2017-2018		
Schedule-1		
Schedule-J	As at 31.3.2018	As at 31.3.2017
Schedule-1	(Amount in Rs.)	(Amount in Rs.)
Research, Training & Information Fund		
As per last account	272,78,116	181,69,375
Add; Transfer from Income & Expenditure A/c	117,73,752	91,08,741
Mul Hanster mun meonie ac expenditure sie	390,51,868	272,78,110
Less: Amount pertaining to the unutilised amount of earmarked funds on	330,31,000	272,70,11
which income tax has been paid due to non-utilisation as per the	1	19
schedule (i.e. 5 years) u/s 11(2)(b) of the IT Act, 1961	9,13,220	19 - 1 - E
	381,38,646	272,78,116
	30400000	
Schedule-2		1.5 6
Reserve & Surplus Alc		
		100 00 000
Opening balance	124,71,620	102,20,908 22,58,912
Add: Transfer from Income & Expenditure A/c	24,77,303	124,71,820
Add: Transfer from Research, Training & Information Fund	115,15,00	
(i.e. unutilised amount of earmarked funds)	9,13,220	-
(i.e. minimises driving of califaction mans)	158.62.343	124,71,820
	2304024545	12.47 2,040
Schedule-3		
Expenses Favable		
Audit Fees Payable	29,500	28,750 5,000
Honoranum Payable	5,000 5,68,601	4,08,323
Labour (Outsource) Expenses Payable Meeting Expenses Payable	5,80,001	78,428
Salary Payable		49,846
Seminar & Workshop Expenses Payable	-	7,70,801
Profesional Fee Psyable	44,775	.5,000
IDS Payable on Contract	\$33	<del>-</del>
IDS Payable on Professional Fees	3,000	-
Office Expenses Payable	6,30,842	3,05,421
	12,62,551	16,SL,S69
Schedule-4		
Auto Sweep Fined Deposits with:		
	495,97,000	399,21,000
Corporation Bank	1	

CA V.P. Gupta Partner M.No.: 080557 Place: New Delhi Date: June, 2018

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		F.Y. 2017-2018						
Amou	31.3.2018	As at 31.3.2017						
	int in Rs.)	(Amount in Rs.)						
Schedule-5								
Tax Deducted at Source - Opening Balance	7,75,563	5,41,625						
Add: Tax Deducted at Source - during the year	2,50,885	2,33,938						
	10,26,448	7,75,563						
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<u>Auditor's Report</u> As per our Report of even date attached. For V.P. Gupta & Co.								
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FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS F.Y. 2017-2018			
Balance as Per Bank Book (Dr.)		Amount (in Rs.) 15,191.94	
(+) Add: Cheque issued but not presented i	in bank for payment:		
Chq. Date Chq no.	Amt. (in Rs.) Date of Realisation		
Balance as per Bank Statement (Cr.)		15,191.94	

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FORUM OF INDIAN REGULATORS						
F.Y. 2017-2018						
Annexure 'A'						
AutoSweep Fi	AutoSweep Fixed Deposits with Corporation Bank					
S.No. AntoSweep FDR No. Amount (in R						
5.No.	AutoSweep FDK No.	Autotati (in its.				
1	530,000,000,5773	96,85,00				
2	530x00x0x5310	2,60,00				
3	53033003600(4602	45,00				
4	53000000005400	4,10,00				
5	530;000;000;000;000;000;000;000;000;000;					
6	530000000000000000000000000000000000000	3,60,00				
7	5300000009503	90,80				
18	530100000003437	4,30,00				
9	5301000000000530	9,20,00				
10	530x00aaaac3637	16,35,00				
11	530000000000000000000000000000000000000	70,00				
112	530wacaaaax8984	22,90,00				
13	530xaaaaax1735	3,30,00				
14	2099x00000ct748	22,45,99				
15	20991aaaaac5790	6,35,00				
16	2099иааааа6217	5,45,00				
17	209910000000033	2,10,00				
18	2099иаааааа637	3,30,00				
19	2099+300000000000000	1,00,00				
20	2099###################################	5,90,00				
21	2099кававаа(1616	12,85,00				
22	2099иаааааас1643	4,85,00				
23	2099*******	26,30,000				
24	209940000002062	4,25,00				
25	2099:0000000(#971	7,60,00				
26	2099нааасаас2013	1,00,00				
27	2099xaaaaac2332 2099xaaaaac2446	8,45,90				
28	2059900000259465	5,25,000				
30	2099/000002550	6,05,000				
31	28999900000002749	18,25,000				
32	209940000002925	14,60,000				
33	20994330003012	6,70,080				
34	2099100000003137	7,40,000				
35	2099433330433289	4,00,000				
36	28994000003322	16,45,000				
37	2099нааваас3359	14,75,000				
36	2099/0000003386	13,05,000				
39	2899xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx					
40	2099;ssoosaa:3474	15,65,000				
41	2099;aaaaaaca553	16,25,000				
42	289910000003614	4,90,900				
43	2099/aaaaaax3775	10,90,000				
44	2.099/aaaaaac3997	8,45,000				
45	2099x300000x4127	4,00,000				
46	2099100000000224	8,15,000				
47	2099iaacaaax43.03	4,00,000				
48	530xxxxxxxx1426	1,42,000				
	Total	495,97,000				

In Auto Sweeps/Flexi Deposits with Nationalised Bank

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		F.Y. 2017-20	118		
1) Working Note on calculation of Interest Accrued :					
		1			Amount in Rs.
					Amt. of
					Interest
	ALATTINE (Arts Curson EDRs)	Date as per TDS	Interest as per TDS	(-) TDS	Accrued as pe
5.190.	NATURE (Auto Sweep FDRs)	Cert.	Summary Cert.	195	TDS Cert. as
				- 1	on 31.03.2018
	With Corporation Bank 530xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	30.03.2018	3,84,901.00	30,490.00	2,74,411.0
1	530100000000000000000000000000000000000	30,03,2018	7,434.00	743.00	6,691.0
3	530:0000000000000	30.03.2018	1,233.00	124.00	1,109.0
4	530xxxxxxxxx	30.03.2018	9,764.00	976.00	8,788.0
5	530x330x330x34047	30.03.2018	14,448.00	1,445.00	13,003.0
6	530;00000006902	30.03.2018	8,266.00	826.00	7,440.0
7	530,000000009503	30.03.2018	1,667.00	167.00	1,5004
8	530,000,000,3437	30.03.2018	7,893.00	789.00	
9	530,000,000,000,8530	30,03.2018	16,730.00	1,673.00	the second second second
10	530,000,000,3637	30,03.2018	28,895.00	2,890.00	
11	530,00000000000000000000000000000000000	30.03.2018	1,213.00	121.00	1
12	530,000000000000000000	30,03,2016	37,344.00	3,735.00	
13	53010000000(1735	30.03.2018	5,269.00	526.00	
14	2099300000001748	30.03.2016	33,569.00	3,357.00	
15	2099x333333335790	30.03.2018	8,428.00	842.00	1
16	209910000006217	30.03.2018	7,051.00	706.00	1
17	20991333333	30.03.2018	2,540.00	254.00	1
18	2099100000000617	30.03.2018	3,495.00	349.00	
19	2099100000001087	30.03.2018	958.00	96.00	a state
20	209910000000(1218	30.03.2018	5,452.00	545,00	1
21	2099:0000000(1616	30.03.2018	10,147.00	1,015.00	1
22	209910000000(1643	30.03.2018	3,748.00	375.00	
23	209910000000000000000000000000000000000	30.03.2018	18,117.00	1,811.00	1
24	2099:00000000000	30.03.2016	2,785.00	279.00	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
25	2899yacaaaac1971	30.03.2016	4,852.00	62.00	
26	209910000002013	30.03.2016	622.00	697,00	1
27	209910333332	30.03.2016	4,969.00	1,216,00	
26	2099:000002445	30,03.2016	12,161.00	265.9	
29	2099:0000002536	30.03.2018	2,646.00	295.0	1
30	2099+000000(2572	30.03.2018	2,948.00	766.0	1
31	209910000002749	30.03.2918	7,665.00	564.0	
32	2099100000002925	30.03.2018	3,216.00	322.0	1
33	2099100000003012	30.03.2018	2,362.00	236.0	
34	2099юзаазаа(3137	30.03.2018	1,210.00	121.0	
35	2099100000x3289	30.03.2018	4,698.00	470.0	1
36	2099/000003322	30.03.2018	3,965.00	396.0	-
37	2099;0000003359	30.03.2018	3,289.00	329.0	1
38	2099;0000003386	30.03.2018	1,747.00	175.0	1
39	2099100000003447	30.03.2018	3,155.00	315.0	2,840
40	2099;0000003474	30.03.2018	3,003.00	301.0	0 2,702
41	2099;0000003553	30.03.2018	672.00	67.0	0 605
42	2099;000000(3614	30.03.2018	1,648.00	165.0	0 1,483
43	20993000003(3775	30.03.2018	710.00	71.0	639
44	209930000033997	30.03.2018	269.00	27.0	0 242
45	2099xxxxxxx4127 2099xxxxxxx4224	30.03.2018	411.00	41.0	0 370
46	209930000004224	31.03.2018	69.00	6.0	
47 48	53000000001426	31.03.2018	4,584.00	496.0	
40	TOTAL	L	6,17,860.00	61,822.0	0 5,56,038

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# M/s V.P. Gupta & Co.

Chartered Accountants, 288, Ghalib Apartments, Parwana Road, Pitampura, New Delhi – 110 034. Phone (LL): 011-27020321 Phone (M): 9313675636

To, The Governing Body, Forum of Indian Regulators, Sectt.: Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chanderlok Building, 36 Janpath, New Delhi – 110001.

Sir,

We have audited the accounts of Forum of Indian Regulators for the year ended 31st March, 2018. Our comments/recommendations on the same are below:-

1. Application of income u/s 11(1)/(1b) and accumulation u/s 11(2)/(3)/(3A) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

- i) Income Tax Act provides that 85% of the Income derived from the property held under trust, should be applied to charitable or religious purpose in the relevant previous year in order to claim full exemption. Where such income has not been applied it may be accumulated or set apart for application to such purposes, as are specified in India for a period of 10 years in respect of Income upto financial year 2000-2001 and upto 5 years in respect of Income for the financial year 2001-2002 and onwards.
- ii) In view of the provision stated in para (i) the resolution is required for Income for the financial year 2017-2018 to be set apart u/s 11(2) of Income Tax Act, 1961 for Rs. 1,17,73,753.25.
- iii) The amount of earmarked accumulation as on 31.03.2018 amounts Rs. 3,81,38,649.35 which is required to be applied during the time frame as given below in order to avail benefit available under this section.

Fund	Year of Accumulation Financial Year	Amount (in Rs.)	Amount Utilized / (Unutilized) During the Year (in Rs.)	Balance amount to be utilized (in Rs.)	Time for Amount to be utilized upto	Remarks
	en a againt				financial year	·
Research, Training & Information Fund	2012-2013	9,13,220.42	(9,13,220.42)		2017-2018	The said amount could not be utilized during the time frame, therefore, deleted from
						the earmarked funds and will be taxed accordingly.

Earmarked fund-Accumulated u/s 11(5)

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### Earmarked fund-Accumulated u/s 11(5)

Fund	Year of Accumulation Financial Year	Amount (in Rs.)	Amount Utilized / (Unutilized) During the Year (in Rs.)	Balance amount to be utilized (in Rs.)	Time frame for Amount to be utilized upto financial	Remarks
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Research, Training & Information Fund	2013-2014	30,73,279.48	-	30,73,279.48	2018-2019	-
			1			1
Research, Training & Information	2014-2015	44,73,833.55	1. T. 4. (	44,73,833.55	2019-2020	-
Fund						
Research,	2015-2016	97,09,042.45	-	97,09,042.45	2020-2021	-
Training & Information			28. j. of 1.	e e p <sup>ar</sup> adi	1. 1. 1. <sub>1. 1</sub> .	the second s
Fund				ik withe. The transfer of the state	an da ' San ser adr	
Research, Training & Information Fund	2016-2017	91,08,740.62	-	91,08,740.62	2021-2022	
Research, Training & Information Fund	2017-2018	1,17,73,753.25	-	1,17,73,753.25	2022-2023	-
Total Amount		<b>3,90,51,8</b> 69.77	(9,13,220.42)	3,81,38,649.35		

### 2. Sharing of expenditure with CERC

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Various secretariat costs (viz. Rent, Drinking Water, Electricity, Postage, Printing & Stationery, Security and Telephone) are being reimbursed by FOIR to Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC). During the F.Y 2017-18, an amount of Rs. 6,10,842/- has been provided towards sharing of the said expenses, which has been shown under Schedule-3 of Balance Sheet under the head "Office Expenses Payable".

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#### 3. Income Tax Demands

The Income Tax Department has raised demands for the previous assessment years and the TDS for the relevant assessment year are being adjusted with the same, which are tabulated as under:

Assessment	Income Tax	TDS for the	Amount of	Income Tax	Remarks
Year	payable as	assessment	<b>TDS</b> adjusted	payable /	
	per demand	year (as per	with demand	(refundable) -	
	raised	books)		as per	
	(i.e. before			assessment	
	adjusting			order (i.e. after	
	TDS)			the adjustment	
		2		of TDS)	
	(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	
2007-2008	-	75,523	-	-	-
2008-2009	-	50,486	- 1	-	-
2013-2014	21,84,174	42,483	42,483	21,41,691	-
2014-2015	-	67,650	72,320 *	(-) 72,320	* also
	6				includes net
					interest of
1				· · · · · ·	Rs.4,670/-,
et to a set					(i.e. interest
1.2	en 115 kenner	n na hata in sua			received u/s
4 <u>5</u> 4					244A, i.e.
and the second	•	e sa se se e		ange ee	Rs.6.760/-
a standard a			7. E.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	less TDS on
5.15	1. A. A.	Adam Salah Salah	arte en fer		interest, i.e.
-			and a second second	and the second	Rs.2,090/-).
2015-2016	15,03,456	1,14,420	1,14,420	13,89,040	-
2016-2017	55,83,067	1,91,063 **	1,91,063	53,92,000	** also
					includes TDS
					on interest u/s
					244A for the
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	the second s		and the second secon		Rs.2,090/
2017-2018		2,33,938	a sa sgi ta 🖛	lan en la juli 🖷	Assessment
					pending
2018-2019	-	2,50,885	-	-	ITR yet to be filed
TOT	CAL	10,26,448		88,50,411	1997 B

Although, the IT department has started to adjust the said demands against the Income Tax refunds due to FOIR (i.e. as per the provisions of Section 245 of the Income Tax Act, 1961), but according to FOIR the same is not correct. As informed to us, the matter for the deletion of the said demands pertaining to the A.Ys. 2013-14, 2015-16 & 2016-17 is already being followed up with the Income Tax Department by their Tax Consultant and necessary documents in this regard has also been filed with the ACIT(A). As the demand is outstanding for long, it is advised that it should be deleted at the eadlest.

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4. Membership Subscription The details regarding the membership fee for the F.Y. 2017-2018, are as under:

Particulars	Amount (in Rs.)
Membership fee receivable	1,40,00,000
Less: Membership fee received during the year	99,40,000
Membership fee receivable as on 31.03.2018 (i.e. as per the Balance Sheet)	40,60,000
Less: membership fee received as on the date of signing the Accounts, i.e. 20.06.2018	26,00,000
Membership fee receivable as on 20.06.2018	14,60,000

Yours Faithfully,

For M/s V.P. Gupta & Co. Chartered Accountants FRN: 000699N

CA V.P. Gupta Partner M.No. : 080557

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Place: New Delhi Date: .06.2018

#### **SCHEDULE - 6**

# (Forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2018)

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS

#### A. Background of FOIR

The Forum for Indian Regulators (FOIR) is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 on 04th February, 2000. FOIR has been exempted from the payment of income tax under section 12(A) read with section 12AA(1)(b) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 vide order of the Director of Income Tax (E) dated 22.02.2000. The management of the affairs of the Society has been entrusted to the Governing Board.

#### FOIR aims :

- to promote the growth of independent regulatory mechanisms.
- to promote transparency in the working of the Regulatory Bodies.
- to protect consumer interest and develop consumer advocacy organizations.
- to develop human and institutional capacities in regulatory bodies, utilities and other stake-holders.
- to research the efficiency and effectiveness of independent regulation and matters incidental thereto.
- to provide for an information base on regulatory law and practice and regulatory economics.
- to collaborate with academic and research institutions, professional bodies and NGOs in India and internationally in areas of interest to the Society.
- to do all such other lawful things as conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above aims and objects.

# **Constitution of Governing Body and Address**

The constitution of the Governing body has changed over the period of time. The process has been initiated for filing the requisite documents Under Section 4 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860. Further, FOIR has changed its office to Ground, 3rd & 4th Floors, Chanderlok Building, 36 Jaopath, New Delhi – 110 001. The requisite process for registration of the new address with the Registrar of Societies has already been initiated.

#### Activities of FOIR

During the F.Y. 2017-2018, FOIR has organized a Workshop/Research Conference on 22nd June, 2017 in New Delhi and its 1st Executive Management Workshop under RRTI on 11th & 12th September, 2017 in New Delhi. (During the F.Y. 2016-2017, FOIR has organized a Workshop/Research Conference on 24th June, 2016 at Puducherry and during 02nd-04th February, 2017 at Goa).

### **SCHEDULE - 6**

# (Forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2018)

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS (CONTD.)

#### B. Significant Accounting Policies

#### 1. Method of Accounting

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Accounts are being prepared under the historical cost convention on accrual basis, going concern and are materially complied with the mandatory Accounting Standards notified by the Govt. of India u/s 133 of the Companies Act, 2013.

#### 2. Recognition of Income

### (i) Recognition of Membership Fees

Membership fee from each member is received on year on year basis as prescribed from time to time. Such fee was recognized in the books of accounts on accrual basis.

#### (ii) Recognition of Other Incomes

Other incomes such as interest, etc. are recognized on accrual basis.

#### 3. Events occurring after the Balance Sheet date

No significant events which could affect the financial position as on 31.3.2018 to a material extent has been reported by the Society, after the balance sheet date till approval of Accounts.

#### C. Notes on Accounts

# 1. Application of income u/s 11(1)/(1b) and accumulation u/s 11(2)/(3)/(3A) of the Income Tax Act, 1961

Income Tax Act provides that 85% of the Income derived from the property held under trust, should be applied to charitable or religious purpose in the relevant previous year in order to claim full exemption. Where such income has not been applied it may be accumulated or set apart for application to such purposes, as are specified in India for a period of 10 years in respect of Income upto financial year 2000-2001 and upto 5 years in respect of Income for the financial year 2001-2002 and onwards. In view of the provision a resolution is required for Income for the year to be set apart u/s 11(2) of Income Tax Act, 1961.

The amount of earmarked accumulation which is required to be applied during the time frame is given as below, in order to avail benefit available under this section:

Particulars	Current Year (in Rs.)	Previous Year (in Rs.)
Income	1,65,15,351	1,50,06,077
Earmarked Funds:		
85% of the Income derived from the property	1,40,38,048	1,27,55,165
held under trust (i.e. 85% of the Income)		
Less: Expenditure incurred during the year	22,64,296	36,46,424
Accumulated Earmarked Funds U/s 11(5)	1,17,73,752	91,08,741
Time frame for utilization of the earmarked		THE REAL COAL OF
funds	Till F.Y. 2022-23	Till F.Y. 2021-22

Thus, there is a accumulated amount of Rs. 3,81,38,648/- (Previous Year Rs. 2,72,78,116/-) in respect of the RTI Fund.

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### **SCHEDULE - 6**

(Forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2018)

#### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS (CONTD.)

#### 2. Contingent Liability

The amount of contingent liability at the close of the current year is NIL (Previous Year NIL).

### 3. Remuneration/Professional Fees

FOIR employs Research Officers/Research Associates on contract basis for Research & Training purpose and pay them professional fees on monthly basis. During the F.Y. 2017-2018, FOIR has paid Rs. NIL from March, 2017 to March, 2018 (Previous Year Rs. NIL). This is being accounted for as expenditure on Research, Training & Information Fund. Further, remuneration paid to other staff engaged in FOIR for administrative work on contract basis is accounted for as Establishment Expenses. During the F.Y. 2017-2018, FOIR has incurred Rs. NIL (Previous Year & Rs. 49,846/-) on them.

#### 4. Sharing of expenditure with CERC

FOIR's secretariat cost (viz. Rent, Drinking Water, Electricity, Postage, Printing & Stationery, Security and Telephone) is being reimbursed to Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC). During the F.Y 2017-2018, an amount of Rs. 6,10,842/- (Previous Year Rs.3,05,421/-) has been provided towards sharing of the said expenses. This amount has been provided at 10% on the total projected cost incurred by CERC.

### 5. Retirement Benefits

All employees are on contractual basis. Based on the terms of their contract, no retirement benefit is payable to them and hence not provided for.

### 6. Deposits in Auto Sweep/ Flexi Deposit

Short term deposits in Auto Sweeps/Flexi Deposits are stated at principal value and reflected in Cash & Bank Balances. This is in line with the investment pattern permitted under Section 11(5)(iii) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

#### 7. Taxation:

(a) FOIR has been granted exemption vide letter no. DIT(E)/2000-2001/Fr-158/2010/748 dated 22.02.2000 in accordance with the terms & conditions of the exemption under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

(b) The Income Tax Department has raised demands amounting to Rs. 21,41,690/- for A.Y. 2013-14 (out of which income tax refund of Rs. 72,320/- pertaining to the A.Y. 2014-15 has been adjusted), Rs. 13,89,040/- for A.Y. 2015-16 and Rs. 53,92,000/- for A.Y. 2016-17. The department has started to adjust the said demand against the Income Tax refunds due to the Association as per the provisions of Section 245 of the Income Tax Act, 1961, which is not correct. The matter for the deletion of the said demands is already being followed up with the Income Tax Department by the Tax Consultant and necessary documents in this regard has also been filed with the CIT(A).

- 8. Schedules 1 to 6 form an integral part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2018 and the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date.
- 9. Previous year's figures have been regrouped and/or rearranged wherever necessary to make them comparable with the figures of the current year.

# **SCHEDULE - 6**

(Forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2018)

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS (CONTD.)

Paise have been rounded off to the nearest rupee. 10.

> Executive Secretary

Secretary

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Treasurer

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Hony. Chairman

For M/s V.P. Gupta & Co. Chartered Accountants FRN 000699N

CA V.P. Gupta Partner M.No. : 080557

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Place: New Delhi Date : .06.2018

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# Annexure-V(a)

# RESOLUTIONS

- 1. "**RESOLVED THAT** in the 19th Annual General Meeting of FOIR, the Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 2018 and the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on the date, has been adopted and approved.
- 2. **FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Hony. Chairman, Hony. Secretary, Hony. Treasurer and Executive Secretary are hereby authorized to sign the Annual Accounts of FOIR as on 31st March 2018, on behalf of the Governing Body.
- 3. **FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Chairperson, CERC is authorized to approve the name of the Statutory Auditor and Tax Consultant along with their fees and out of pocket expenses (if any), for auditing the Accounts of FOIR and filing the Income Tax Return of FOIR, respectively, for the financial year 2018-2019.
- 4. **FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Executive Secretary is authorized to file various documents with the Registrar of Societies, Income Tax Authorities and/ or any other Authority/s and is also authorized to approve/incur expenditure on behalf of the FOIR".

-sd/-

(Sanoj Kumar Jha) Executive Secretary

Place : New Delhi Date: 20<sup>th</sup>June,2018

# Annexure-V(b)

# **RESOLUTION**

"**RESOLVED THAT** an amount of **Rs. 1,17,73,752.25** (Rupess One Crore Seventeen Lakh Seventy Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Two and paise Tewnty Five only) pertaining to the F.Y 2017-2018, is set apart under section 11(2) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, towards the earmarked funds, to be utilized by the end of the F.Y 2022-2023."

-sd/-

(Sanoj Kumar Jha) Executive Secretary

Place : New Delhi Date: 20<sup>th</sup>June,2018 Table of existing and proposed amendments to give effect to the changes in the Rules & Regulations of FOIR

Sl.N	Clause	Existing Rul	es		Changes proposed
0.					
1.	4				Clause 4 of the Rules of Regulations of
	Subscrip	The subscription for membership of		hip of	FOIR
	tion	the Society shall be pay	vable o	nly by	
		the Institutional Members	s as un	der:-	As the fee is increased/decreased from
			Fees		time- to-time, it is proposed that instead
			( <b>Rs.</b> )		of giving the present rate of subscription
		Institutional			fees, the following may be considered for
		membership			one time change in Rules:
		Regulatory	4,00,0	Ann	
		Commission or	00	ual	"Subscription for membership of the
		authorities established			Society shall be decided by the
		by law (except North-			Governing Body and the revised fee
		East			shall be effective after the same is
		States)			approved in Annual Governing Body,
		Regulatory	2,00,0	Ann	from time-to-time".
		Commission or	00	ual	
		authorities established			
		by law			
		(North-East States)			
		Consumer Ass	2,00,0	Ann	
			00	ual	
		Academic/Research			
		Institutions			
2.	11	ii) Honorary Vice-Chai	rman (	6)	ii) Honorary Vice-Chairman -
	Governi	· · ·	,		As an when any Central Sector
	ng Body				Regulatory Authority becomes a
	5.				member of FOIR, the
					Chairman/Chairperson of the autho
					rity, will be a
					deemed to be an Honorary Vice-
					Chairman of FOIR

3. 12 "The Secretary and Assistant At the time of framing of Rules & Secretari Secretary of the Central Electricity Regulations of FOIR, the post of at for the Regulatory Commission shall function Assistant Secretary (FOR) was not a Governi as Executive Secretary and Executive sanctioned post. Therefore, the post of ng Body. Treasurer of the Society respectively". Assistant Secretary, CERC was appointed as Executive Treasurer of FOIR. Now, all the functions of Executive Treasurer is now being handled by Assistant Secretary (FOR) Accordingly, the following are proposed for changes: **"The** of Secretary Central the Electricity Regulatory Commission shall function as Executive Secretary and Assistant Secretary (FOR) shall function as Executive Treasurer of the Society".

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