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IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

OP No. 1 OF 2025 & IA No. 1403 OF 2025 & IA No. 1404 OF 2025 & IA No. 1532 OF 2025 & IA No. 1610 OF 2025 & IA No. 1747 OF 2025

Dated: 8th January, 2026

Present: Hon`ble Mr. Justice Ramesh Ranganathan, Chairperson
Hon`ble Mr. Ajay Talegaonkar, Technical Member (Electricity)

In the matter of:

In Suo-Motu action under Section 121 of the EA .... Petitioner(s)

Versus

Forum of Regulators & Ors. .... Respondent(s)

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C.K. Rai
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for Res. 2

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for Res. 3

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Utkarsh Singh
Sneha Singh Baghel
for Res. 4

M. T. George
for Res. 5

Sahil Chandra

for Res. 6

Ravi Kishore
for Res. 7

Rutwik Panda
Anshu Malik
for Res. 8

Gargi Kumar
for Res. 9

Dhananjay Baijal
for Res. 10

Pratibhanu Singh Kharola
for Res. 11

Sethu Ramalingam
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for Res. 12

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for Res. 13

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for Res. 14

Somanadri Goud Katam
for Res. 15

Shlok Chandra
for Res. 16

Suparna Srivastava
for Res. 17

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for Res. 18

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Pritam Raman Giriya
for Res. 21

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Anish Roy
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Farrukh Rasheed
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Rohini Prasad
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ORDER

1. WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (WBERC): R-18

Pursuant to the direction issued by us on 30.10.2025, the WBERC is said to have issued an LOA appointing auditors for undertaking an intensive audit for DVC, CESE and IPCL on 02.12.2025. In terms of the mandate, the said auditors are required to submit their report latest by

the end of February, 2026. In so far as WBSEDCL is concerned, inadequate response to the bids floated by them, resulted in WBERC inviting fresh bid and eventually appointing an auditor on 02.01.2026. The mandate for the newly appointed auditor is to submit a report by 07.03.2026. As all the auditors' reports are required to be submitted to the WBERC by 07.03.2026, the Commission shall place these Audit Reports on record before this Tribunal before the next date of hearing.

List the matter relating to WBERC on ***23.03.2026***.

2. DELHI ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (DERC): R-10, and

3. RAJASTHAN ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (RERC): R-20

Mr. Amit Kapur, Learned Counsel for the Respondent-Delhi Discoms, would submit that their rejoinder to IA No. 1747 is ready; and, since they were not granted permission earlier to file the rejoinder, they be now permitted to do so. Permission is granted. The rejoinder may be filed latest by tomorrow i.e. 09.01.2026.

Both Mr. Amit Kapur, Learned Counsel for the Delhi Discoms, and Mr. Anand K. Ganesan, Learned Counsel for RERC, request that the matters relating to DERC and RERC be taken up on 13.01.2026.

Post the issues relating to DERC and RERC on ***13.01.2026***.

4. ODISHA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (OERC): R-8, and

5. JOINT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (JERC): R-21 (FOR THE STATE OF GOA AND UNION TERRITORIES, ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS, CHANDIGARH, DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI, DAMAN AND DIU, LAKSHADWEEP AND PUDUCHERRY)

The issues relating to OERC and JERC were slated to be heard on 18.12.2025. Since the Bench did not assemble on that date, let the issues relating to these two Commissions also be listed on ***13.01.2026.*** Affidavit, if any, shall be filed in the meanwhile.

Ajay Talegaonkar Technical Member (Electricity)	Justice Ramesh Ranganathan Chairperson

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