

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
POWER DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 2nd July 2008.

NO.PE.110/97/656, In exercise of the power conferred by clause (d) of sub-section (2) of the Section 180 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to make the following rules to amend the Meghalaya Electricity Regulatory Commission (Salaries, Allowances and conditions of service of Chairperson and other Members) Rules, 2003, namely :-

The Meghalaya Electricity Regulatory Commission (Amendment) Rules, 2008.

1. **Short title and commencement.** These rules may be called the Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Salaries, Allowances and conditions of service of Chairperson and other Members) (Amendment) Rules, 2008.
2. **Omission of rule 3.** Rule 3 of the Meghalaya Electricity Regulatory Commission (Salaries, Allowances and conditions of service of Chairperson and other Members) Rules, 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules), shall be omitted.
3. **Amendment of rule 4.** In rule 4 of the principal rules, for the words “ in the form of technical assistance and Infrastructure Development Assistance from other Government Recognized Organization with prior approval of the State Government” occurring in the second sentence, the words “ in accordance with the provisions of section 103 of the Act” shall be substituted.
4. **Amendment of rule 6.** In rule 6 of the principal rules, for the words “applicable to the Secretary to the Government of India” the words “ applicable to the Chief Secretary of the State Government” shall be substituted.
5. **Amendment of rule 9.** In rule 9 of the principal rules :-
 - (a). after the word “Chairperson” the words “and Members” shall be inserted;
and
 - (b). the second sentence therein shall be omitted.
6. **Amendment of rule 10.** In rule 10 of the principal rules for the words “admissible to the Secretary to the Government of India” the words “admissible to the Chief Secretary of the State Government” shall be substituted.
7. **Amendment of rule 13.** In rule 13 of the principal rules the following new sentences shall be added, namely – “ The Chairman or Member shall also be entitled to traveling allowance on transfer for journeys undertaken for the purpose of assuming office. On demitting office they shall be governed by the traveling allowance rules applicable to All India Service officers on retirement”.

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8. Amendment of rule 15. In rule 15:-

(a). in sub-rule (1), for the words "an officer of the rank of Secretary to the State Government stationed at Shillong" the words " the Chief Secretary of the State Government" shall be substituted.

(b). in sub-rule (2), for the words " to a member of the Indian Administrative Service holding the rank of Secretary to the State Government stationed at Shillong " occurring therein the words "" to the Chief Secretary of the State Government or the Commission may rent an appropriate accommodation for him and the rent thereof shall be fixed by the Deputy Commissioner " shall be substituted.

9. **Amendment of rule 16.** In rule 16 of the principal rules for the words " staff car in accordance with the staff car rules " the words "allotted car in accordance with the rules and orders of the State Government" shall be substituted.

10. **Amendment of rule 17:** In Rule 17 of the principal rules for the words and brackets "(Medical Allowance)" the words and brackets " (Medical Attendance)" shall be substituted.

11. **Amendment of rule 20.** In rule 20 of the principal rules, for the words " a Secretary to the Government of India" the words "the Chief Secretary of the State Government" shall be substituted.

12. **Insertion of new rules.** After rule 20 of the principal rules, the following new rules shall be added as rules 21, 22 and 23 namely:-

"21. Oath of Office and Secrecy. Every Chairperson or Member before entering office shall make and subscribe to an oath of office and secrecy in Form III before the Minister in-charge Power or before the Chief Secretary or the Secretary, Power Department as the Minister may so direct".

"22. Residuary provision, Any matter not specifically provided for in these rules shall, in the case of a Chairperson, be governed in principle by the rules applicable to officers of the All India Services and, in the case of a Member, shall be referred to the State Government and its decision thereon shall be binding".

"23. Power to relax. The Governor may, by order, not inconsistent with the provision of the Act, relax any of the provision of the rules subject to such conditions as he may consider necessary for dealing with a case in a just and equitable manner".

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