

Dear TEPC Members,

On behalf of Returning officer, the following election notice is being issued by the TEPC secretariat.

TEPC had conducted its elections for the Governing Council on 21st December 2018 through e-voting for next 2 years. Election of Vice Chairman of Governing Council amongst elected GC members (subject to their export turnover) is due. Chairman, TEPC has decided to conduct election of new Vice Chairman on 11th January 2019, 9:00 hrs -15:00 hrs through e voting.

2. I have been nominated as Returning Officer for the conduct of above said TEPC elections.

3. TEPC Bye Laws has following provisions related to election:

4.2. b) "Where a person is standing for election as Chairman or Vice Chairman or Regional Chairman etc, he, or the entity represented by him, must have, to his or its credit, during the one financial year immediately preceding, exports of the product, of not less than Rs. 2 crores."

Further he is also required to be a member of the Governing Council. Members are advised to refer Bye Laws of TEPC and related provisions for elections.

4. Members attention is also drawn to Rule 10 of the TEPC Rules and Regulations about the Authorization for Representation of firm which is reproduced below:

10. REPRESENTATION OF FIRM

10.1 Authorization

a) Any firm that is a member of TEPC shall, by consent of all partners, authorize any one of its partners to act as its representative at any meetings of the TEPC or of the Governing Council.

b) In the absence of any such authority in the case of any firm, any one partner whose name has been registered in the records of the TEPC shall be entitled to act as a representative of the firm at any meeting of the TEPC or of the Governing Council.

c) Any Company or Co-operative society or other Corporation which is a member of TEPC shall, by a resolution of its Directors (or any person in the position of Directors) authorize any of its Director or any person to act as its representative at any meeting of the TEPC or of the Governing Council.

d) A sole proprietary firm or Hindu undivided family firm shall be represented by its proprietor or Karta, as the case may be or as may be authorized on their behalf by the firm or HUF.

e) A person authorized to represent an entity by or under clause (a) (b) (c) or (d) of this Rule shall thereupon be entitled to exercise the same rights and powers on behalf of the member whom he represents, as if he were an individual member of the TEPC, of the same class as the firm, company, society or other corporation, as the case may be.

f) Any authority granted under clause (a) or (c) of this Rule shall be effective, only on expiry of seven days from the date on which it is lodged with the TEPC.

5. Vide Order No. 12/2/2013- E&MDA dated 07/12/2015, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce, has directed all Export Promotion Councils to implement Para 2.92 of the Handbook of Procedure of Free Trade Policy FTP 2015-2020 which states among others that:

2.92 Criteria for EPCs as Registering Authorities

e-Voting: Electronic Voting would be mandatory for election to the posts of Vice Chairman/ Vice President and Executive Committee members with a view to ensuring wider participation.

Tenure of Elected Heads: The tenure of an elected head shall not be for more than two years. The election of Chairman/ President of the EPC shall be via Vice Chairman/ Vice President route. **However, any member having held the post of Chairman/ President and/ or Vice Chairman/ Vice President may come back as Vice Chairman/ Vice President in the same council after a gap of not less than 4 years”.**

6. Based on the result of the Governing Council election already conducted on 21st December 2018, nominees from the following companies have been selected as GC member. Only the companies meeting the eligibility criteria as mentioned above (4.2 (b) of TEPC bye laws & 2.92 of Department of Commerce) among the following 10 elected GC members can file the nomination for Vice Chairman position

GC Member	Export turnover Rs. crores
Bharti Airtel Ltd. represented by Mr. Ravi Parkash Gandhi	4508.5
Coral Telecom Ltd. represented by Mr. Rajesh Tuli	0.72
FIBCOM India Ltd. represented by Mr. Rajiv Kumar Agarwal	0.30
Paramount Communications Ltd. represented by Mr. Sandeep Aggarwal	23.5
Saankhya Labs Pvt. Ltd. Represented by Mr. Parag Balwant Naik	34.5
Shyam Spectra Pvt. Ltd represented by Mr. Sanjeev Kakkar	8.77
Sterlite Technologies Ltd. represented by Ms. Swati Rangachari	1636
TCIL represented by Mr. Kamendra Kumar	372
Tejas Networks Ltd. Represented by Mr. Rajiv Mahajan	130.9
Vihaan Networks Ltd. represented by Mr. Rajiv Mehrotra	8.4

7. Members eligible to vote

TEPC has decided cutoff date for eligible members to vote as those who have paid their membership fee for the current year till 30th November 2018.

8. Applicable forms and other information, including the complete election schedule, are enclosed in the Annex A to Annex D to this Election Notice. Nomination is invited for the position of Vice Chairman of TEPC. Please send your scanned copy of nomination(s) addressed to the undersigned by email at jst-dot@nic.in and with copy to TEPC secretariat at tepc@telecomepc.in on or before 7th January 2019 up to 17:00 hrs with hard copy by post to TEPC Secretariat.

9. Request for withdrawal of the nominations should be sent to the undersigned on or before 9th January 2019 up to 17:00 hrs.

10. Objections to nominations, if any, can also be mailed to the Returning Officer by 10th January 2019 up to 12:00 hrs. Final list of eligible candidates will be intimated on 10th January 2019 by 15:00 hrs through email to all eligible members' representative.

11. The process of election will be completed with the help from the TEPC Secretariat.

Amit Yadav
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