

भारतीय दूरसंचार विनियामक प्राधिकरण Telecom Regulatory Authority of India



F. No. A-25/4/(34)/2025-HR

Dated: 25th August 2025

Vacancy Circular No.: C-2/2025-26

Advertisement for Engagement of Consultant (Retired from Government Service) on Contract Basis in TRAI HQ, New Delhi.

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), New Delhi is a statutory body set up under an Act of Parliament viz., TRAI Act, 1997. TRAI has been established to regulate the Telecommunications Services and to protect the interest of service providers and consumers of the telecom sector, to promote and ensure orderly growth of the telecom sector and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The functions relating to regulation of Broadcasting and Cable Services Sectors have also been entrusted to TRAI from 2004.

2. Applications are invited from eligible Indian Citizens for engagement as Individual Consultant (Retired Government / PSU / Autonomous Body/ Statutory Body) for the following position on contract basis:

(A) CONSULTANT (International Relations)

| Name of the Division | Particulars | Details |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| IR Division of TRAI HQ, | Name of the position | Consultant (Retired Government servant) |
| | Number# of | 01 (One) |
| | Monthly Remuneration | As per the Table -I / Table-II given in para 3 |
| | | Initial term of engagement shall be one year, which shall be extendable based on individual performance and future requirement of TRAI. |
| | Age limit | Not more than 64 years of age as on the date of issue of this vacancy circular |
| | Essential Qualification | Master's degree from a recognized University /Institution |
| | Post Qualification Experience | Essential: Retired Government officials from Centre/ State Ministry/ Department/ Organization/ Autonomous Body/ Statutory |

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| | Body/ PSU, having minimum 20 years of experience and should have retired from the post equivalent of Level-11 of 7th CPC or above on regular basis. Desirable: Working knowledge and experience in international relations / international cooperation |
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| Nature of Duties | i. Maintaining protocol and diplomatic formalities while dealing with international organizations. ii. Interaction with Authority for briefing and coordinating international visits. iii. Conducting bilateral meetings with international regulators/organizations. iv. Drafting of Bi-lateral agreements and while negotiating with other regulators to finalize draft agreements. v. Conducting international events, programmes, visits etc including signing of Bilateral agreements as per Standard Operating Procedures (SoP) prescribed by MEA and MHA. vi. Participation in ITU activities (Study Groups, seminars, workshops). vii. Any other duties assigned by the senior officers as and when required. |

^{*}Number of vacancies is tentative. TRAI will prepare a Reserve Panel for the vacancies arising in near future.

3. Monthly Remuneration:

3.1 For Govt. Servants retired from Pensionable Organisations / DOT PSUs:

TABLE-I Methodology for fixation of S. OM No. & Date Applicable for No. Remuneration Deptt. A fixed monthly amount shall be Expenditure OM Central Govt. admissible arrived by deducting the basic 1 No. 3-25/2020retirees having pension from the pay drawn at the time of pension. Е.ША dated retirement. 09.12.2020 DoT Lt. No. 3-The equivalent level of post in the Central 10/2014-SEA-Government at which the retired PSU Retired DoT PSU's 2 I/Fin dated employees. employee is proposed to be appointed on 29.03.2022 contract basis is to be ascertained. Then



| 100 A.S. | | | the notional pay of such post in Central Govt. may be arrived at by taking the mean of Cell-1 and Cell-10 of the corresponding Pay level of such post. The sum so arrived may be treated as last basic pay and 50% of such basic pay may be allowed as remuneration. |
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| 3 | Deptt. Of Expenditure OM No. 03-25/2020- E.III(A)/ Pt dated 18.10.2023 | Central Govt. retirees under the NPS. | An amount equivalent to 30% of the last basic pay as drawn at the time of retirement shall be deducted from the last basic pay and resultant amount shall be the fixed monthly amount as remuneration. |

3.1.1. Transport allowance for Govt. Servants retired from Pensionable Organizations / DOT PSUs shall be fixed as per Deptt. Of Expenditure OM No. 3-25/2020-E.IIIA dated 09.12.2020.

3.2 For Govt. Servants retired from Non-Pensionable Organisations including PSUs / Autonomous body / Statutory Body etc:

TABLE-II

| S. No. | Category | Methodology for fixation of Remuneration | Transport Allowance | | |
|-----------|--|---|------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Retired from Non-Pensionable Organizations including PSU/Autonomous Body / Statutory Body etc. | An amount equivalent to last basic pay as drawn at the time of retirement from Non-Pensionable Organization plus 5% of basic for per year of additional post-retirement experience (rounded off) in the relevant field, if any. | Rs. 8000/- (Fixed) per month | | |

4. The services of consultant will be governed as per Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Guidelines No. A-25/4/(3)/2021-A&P dated 05.08.2025. General Terms and conditions of engagement are enclosed as Annexure-'A'.

5. Eligible candidates desirous to be considered for the position of Consultant (Retired Government / PSU / Autonomous Body/ Statutory Body) in International Relation (IR) Division in TRAI HQ may send their application through online mode only on URL: https://vacancies.trai.gov.in. The applications received by other modes such as Postal / E-Mail etc shall not be considered. The last date for receipt of applications

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through online mode is 15.09.2025. The self-attested copies of following documents may also be uploaded with the online application:

- (a) Document showing the date of birth [10th class Mark Sheet (showing date of birth), Birth Certificate, PAN Card, Retirement Order Copy etc.]
- (b) Educational qualification(s) [Mark Sheet from 10th onwards. Final year Degree mark sheet containing marks in Post Graduation is mandatory.]
- (c) Post qualification experience/ employment.
- (d) PPO copy (in case of retired from pensionable organization)
- (e) Any other relevant documents.
- 6. Incomplete applications or applications received without supporting documents as mentioned in para 5 (a) to (d) above shall not be considered.
- 7. TRAI reserves the right to cancel the process of selection/appointment of Consultant (Retired Government / PSU / Autonomous Body/ Statutory Body) against this advertisement at any time without assigning any reason.

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Internal circulation for information: -

- 1. OSD, O/o Chairperson, TRAI
- 2. Sr. PPS / PPS to Member, TRAI
- 3. Sr. PPS to Secretary, TRAI
- 4. All Principal Advisors [HQ], TRAI.
- 5. JA (IT) with a request to upload the same in the TRAI website.
- 6. National Career Services (NCS) Portal
- 7. Notice Board.

<u>Terms and Condition of Engagement (Hiring) of</u> <u>Consultants on contract basis in Telecom Regulatory Authority of India</u>

1. Duration of contract and Extension thereof:

The Consultants will be hired for an initial period of one year.

The Consultants shall be eligible for an extension on annual basis subject to requirement and suitability for TRAI up to a maximum period of engagement of four years.

2. General Conditions and Remuneration:

Consultants (Retired Government/PSU/Autonomous Body /Statutory Body Servants)

The position, experience, age limit, remuneration, etc. of the Consultants to be engaged (hired) on contract basis by TRAI are categorized as under:

TABLE-I

| S. No. | Category (1) For Govt. Servants | Minimum experience^SS (number of completed Years) (2) Retired from Pensionable | Upper age limit*^ (years) as on date of issue of vacancy Circula r (3) | Monthly Remuneration (Rs.) (4) | Transport Allowance (per month)** (Rs.) (5) |
|-----------|--|--|--|--------------------------------|--|
| | Consultant retired from Pensionable Organization . | As per requirement against vacancy Circular issued by TRAI | 64 | See Table -III | |
| (b) | For Govt. Servants | Retired from DoT PSUs | | | |
| | Consultant retired from DoT PSU. | As per requirement against vacancy Circular issued by TRAI | 64 | See Table -III | |



| S. No. | | | Upper age limit*^ (years) as on date of issue of vacancy Circula r (3) | Monthly Remuneration (Rs.) (4) anizations including PSU/Aut | Transport Allowance (per month)** (Rs.) (5) |
|-----------|--|--|--|---|---|
| | Body / Statutory Body etc. | As per requirement against vacancy Circular issued by TRAI | 64 | An amount equivalent to last basic pay as drawn at the time of retirement from Non-Pensionable Organization plus 5% of basic for per year of additional post-retirement experience (rounded off) in the relevant field, if any. | 8000/- (Fixed) |

In case of Pensionable Retired Government Servants / DoT PSU, the remuneration will be fixed in accordance with the Government of India directions issued in this regard from time to time. Presently following guidelines are applicable:

TABLE-II

| S.No. | OM No. & date | Applicable for | Methodology for fixation of Remuneration |
|-------|---|--|--|
| 1 | Deptt. Of Expenditure OM No. 3-25/2020- E.IIIA dated 09.12.2020 | Central Govt. retirees having pension. | A fixed monthly amount shall be admissible arrived by deducting the basic pension from the pay drawn at the time of retirement. |
| 2 | DoT Lt. No. 3- 10/2014-SEA-I/Fin dated 29.03.2022 | Retired DoT PSU's employees. | The equivalent level of post in the Central Government at which the retired PSU employee is proposed to be appointed on contract basis is to be ascertained. Then the notional pay of such post in Central Govt. may be arrived at by taking the mean of Cell-1 and Cell-10 of the corresponding Pay level of such post. The sum so arrived may be treated as last basic pay and 50% |



| - | | | of such basic pay may be allowed as remuneration. |
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| 3 | Deptt. Of | Central Govt. | An amount equivalent to 30% of the last basic |
| | Expenditure OM No. 03-25/2020- | retirees under the NPS. | pay as drawn at the time of retirement shall be |
| | E.III(A)/ Pt dated 18.10.2023 | NPS. | deducted from the last basic pay and resultant amount shall be the fixed monthly amount as remuneration. |

The initial term of Engagement shall be one year.

*Age-Limit: The term of engagement for consultants may be extended up to the age of 65 years. However, the term may be extended up to the age of 70 years in deserving cases subject to performance and the requirement of TRAI. The engagement beyond 65 years and upto 70 years shall be with the approval of Chairperson TRAI keeping in view the candidate's good health & level of expertise.

As on the date of vacancy circular for a particular position. Notification for extension of last date of receipt of applications, if any, shall not be considered as vacancy circular for this purpose.

SSVigilance Clearance shall be obtained in case of retired officials from Centre/ State Ministry/ Department/ Organization/ Autonomous Body/ Statutory Body/ PSU as per the extant CVC/ Government directions/ guidelines.

**The transport allowance shall remain unchanged during the duration of the contract. There will be no increment, annual or otherwise, during the contract period. No dearness allowance (DA) component shall be allowed on transport allowance.

**These positions are open to all government sector employees who retired from non-pensionable Centre/
State Ministry/ Department/ Organization/ Autonomous Body/ Statutory Body/ PSUs etc., subject to
eligibility and other terms & conditions prescribed in these guidelines and relevant directions/ guidelines
of Government, if any.

3. Contractual Terms and Conditions

3.1. Legal status:

The person engaged as Consultants under these guidelines shall not be regarded, for any purpose, as being staff member or an official of TRAI and shall be governed by the terms and conditions contained in these guidelines and the agreement entered into between TRAI and the Consultants. As such, nothing within or relating to the contract shall establish the relationship of employer and employee between TRAI and the Consultants. During the contract period or thereafter, the Consultants shall not claim to be an employee of TRAI. The Consultants shall mandatorily give an undertaking in this regard, as per **Annexure-I**, while entering into contract with TRAI.



3.2. Standards of conduct:

The Consultants shall neither seek nor accept instructions from any authority external to TRAI in connection with the performance of her/his obligations under the contract. The Consultants shall not take any action in respect of her/ his performance or otherwise related to its obligations under the contract that may adversely affect the interests of TRAI. The Consultants shall fulfil her/ his obligations with full regard to the interests of TRAI. The Consultant shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing upon the performance of obligations under the contract. In the performance of the obligations under the contract, the Consultants shall comply with the expected standards of conduct. Failure to comply with the same shall be ground for the termination of the contract.

3.3. Assignment of duties:

The Consultants shall be deployed for specific projects identified by the functional wings. The competent authority reserves the right to assign any additional duty also as and when required. No extra/ additional allowance shall be admissible in case of such additional assignment.

3.4. Termination:

- 3.4.1. TRAI reserves the right to terminate the contract by giving one month's notice, in writing, to the Consultants, without assigning any reason.
- 3.4.2. However, TRAI may also terminate the contract at any time, without prior notice and without assigning any reason, if in its opinion the Consultant is no longer required or has failed to discharge satisfactorily her/his duties or obligations under the contract or has committed the breach of the contract. In case the notice given by TRAI for termination of contract is less than the requisite notice period or contract is terminated by TRAI without prior notice, the monthly remuneration for the period short of requisite notice period (calculated on pro rata basis) or one month's remuneration, shall be payable by TRAI.
- 3.4.3. The Consultants can also seek termination of the contract upon giving one month's written notice to TRAI. If the Consultant seek termination of the contract for the period short of one month's written notice to TRAI, she/ he shall require to pay the monthly remuneration for the period short of requisite notice period (calculated on pro rata basis).

3.5. Prohibition of sexual exploitation and abuse:

In the performance of the contract, the Consultants shall comply with the provisions of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. The Consultants acknowledges and agrees that any breach of the provisions thereof shall constitute a breach of an essential term of the contract and, in addition to any other legal right or remedies available to any person, shall be a ground for termination of the contract. If required, further appropriate legal action may also be recommended.

3.6. Medical Certificate:

TRAI may require the Consultants to submit a good health certificate from a registered Physician at the time of entering into the contract.

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3.7. Basic support facility:

TRAI may provide basic support facilities such as office space, furniture, stationery, computer, laptop, calculator, access to Internet, etc. as may be required by the Consultants for proper and smooth discharge of her/ his duties. Such equipment and facilities provided to the Consultants shall be returned by the Consultants at the time of termination of the contract or when no longer needed by her/ him.

3.8. Confidentiality of documents & information:

The Consultants shall comply with the provisions of the Indian Official Secrets Act, 1923. She/he shall not use the name, emblem, or official seal of TRAI for any commercial purpose other than discharging assigned duties. The Consultants shall sign an agreement of confidentiality, as per Annexure-I, while entering into contract with TRAI.

3.9. Intellectual property rights:

All intellectual property (including but not limited to copyrights, design rights, know-how and trademarks) contained in the information and documents provided to the Consultants by TRAI shall remain the sole and exclusive property of TRAI. TRAI shall also own all intellectual property rights with regard to processes, ideas, technical/consultation papers/reports, documents or any other material which the Consultants has developed for TRAI under the contract, and which bears a direct relation to or are produced or prepared or collected in consequence of, or during the course of, the performance of the duties assigned to the Consultants. The Consultants shall have no rights to such intellectual property whatsoever and shall not publish or make available such information, documents, or any other material in public domain or to any third party, without prior approval of TRAI.

3.10. Settlement of disputes:

TRAI and the Consultants shall make best efforts to amicably settle any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of the contract or the breach, termination, or invalidity thereof.

3.11. Arbitration:

Any dispute, controversy or claim between the parties arising out of the contract, or the breach, termination, or invalidity thereof, unless settled amicably, as provided above, shall be referred by either of the parties to the Chairperson, TRAI for arbitration. The Chairperson, TRAI may appoint an arbitrator for the settlement of such dispute/ controversy.

3.12. Conflict of interest:

The Consultants are expected to follow all the applicable rules and regulations of TRAI/ Government of India which are in force. He/ she is also expected to display utmost honesty, secrecy of office, and sincerity while discharging her/ his duties. In case the services of the Consultants are not found to be satisfactory or found in conflict with the interests of TRAI, her/ his services will be liable to be terminated, without assigning any reason.

3.13. Residuary matters:

In regard to matters not specifically covered by or under these guidelines, the terms and

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conditions given in the Manual for Procurement of Consultancy and Other Services 2017 as well as GFR 2017 issued by M/o Finance, Department of Expenditure shall be applicable.

4. Payment of Remuneration:

- **4.1.** The monthly remuneration and transport allowance, as indicated in relevant paras above, shall be paid to the Consultants and no other allowances, such as Dearness Allowance and House Rent Allowance, shall be admissible.
- **4.2.** The payment of consolidated remuneration will be released by TRAI, after deduction of applicable taxes, within one week of completion of the month, based on the attendance verified by the concerned Division. The Consultant/ shall invariably mark attendance on arrival in the office and at the time of leaving the office.
- 5. Travelling Allowance: The Consultants may be required to undertake domestic tours for official purposes, subject to the approval of the competent authority. Their Travelling Allowance entitlement shall be as below:

6. Leave:

- **6.1.** The Consultants shall be eligible for paid leave of absence @ 1.5 day for each completed month of service under the contract, besides the Gazetted holidays.
- 6.2. The paid leaves accumulated during the duration of the contract can be availed during the currency of the contract only and cannot be carried forward to next year, in case of any extension of the contract.
- **6.3.** The balance accumulated leaves, if any, at the year end of the contract / date of termination of the contract will be lapsed.
- **6.4.** "No work no pay" will be applicable during the period of contract, if more than the prescribed leave is taken.
- 7. Tax Deduction at Source: The income tax or any other tax liable to be deducted as per prevailing rules will be deducted at source before releasing payment and any certificate as applicable will be issued. Any other applicable taxes or contribution payable by the Consultant on payment made under the contract shall be borne by consultant only.
- **8. Authenticity**: If any declaration given or information furnished by the Consultants proves to be false or if he/ she is found to have wilfully suppressed any material information, the contract shall be liable to be terminated and TRAI may take such other action as deemed necessary.
- All type of Consultants including Young Professionals, engaged prior to issuance of these guidelines, shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the Guidelines under which they were engaged.

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10. Compensation: In the event of death or grievous injury to the Consultants during the course of her/ his duties, compensation, in any form, shall neither be payable to the Consultants nor to her/ his dependents. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Consultants to take adequate insurance policy to safeguard her/ his interest.

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