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**Tuesday,  
29th July 2025  
at 17.00 hrs.**

**Venue :- HBNI Council Hall,  
2nd Floor, Training School  
Complex, Anushaktinagar,  
Mumbai**

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## ■ **“Very Low Frequency HV Source for with stand test of Power Cables”**

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## ■ **Abstract**

DC voltage has traditionally been used for cable testing, but it has proven ineffective in detecting hidden defects in XLPE insulation. This ineffectiveness arises because DC voltage can induce trapped space charges, that weaken the cable's dielectric strength in XLPE cables. Very Low Frequency (VLF) testing has emerged as a more effective alternative, functioning as both a withstand and maintenance test. VLF tests utilize frequencies between 0.01 Hz and 0.1 Hz and voltages higher than the operating voltage, to help identify potential failures in cables. VLF withstand tests and diagnostic tests (Tan $\delta$  and Partial Discharge) are employed to assess the cable's condition. VLF tests are generally considered safe for non-damaged insulation.

**All are cordially invited for in person attendance**