

## **Haryana power staff demands 30,000 Posts filled with regular appointments**

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Even as the Haryana Government has invoked the Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA) banning strikes for six months, the Haryana Joint Action Committee, Power, has vowed to go ahead with its proposed state-wise strike on June 29 and 30.

Powermen are holding the protest against privatisation of maintenance works of 23 sub-divisions in the state.

Holding a press conference here today, Subhash Lamba, general secretary of the association, said, "By bringing the ESMA into force, the government cannot scare us. We will go on strike. Our genuine demands should be fulfilled."

The employees are also demanding that 30,000 posts should be filled with regular appointments by giving jobs to unemployed youth in the state and those who have completed two years in service, whether on part-time or on contractual basis, should be regularised and be given equal work.