



No.10/5/(41)/2013-PG (RTI)
Government of India
Ministry of Power
Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi – 110001
Telefax No. 23730264

Dated: 22nd October, 2013

To.

Shri S.N.Banerjee,
BA/8-B, Janakpuri,
New Delhi-110058

Sub: Information sought for under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sir,

Reference is invited to your application under RTI Act addressed to PIO,CERC and subsequently transferred to Nodal Officer (RTI), M/o Power and received in PG Section on 1/10/2013 regarding seeking information with regard to procedure or laid down norms followed in selecting locations of towers and routes of the High Tension Over Head lines.

The information requested in your application is available with CEA, R.K.Puram, New Delhi and PGCIL, Gurgaon for which your applications are being transferred to them for further appropriate action.

Shri Ghanshyam Prasad, Director (PG), M/o Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001 is the Appellate Authority,

Yours faithfully,

(Ajay Joshi)

Under Secretary (PG) & CPIO

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for ma.p.
Study found
to concerned office*

*Sh. Joshi
25/10/13*

Copy to

CPIO/ Nodal Officer, RTI, PGCIL, Gurgaon along with RTI application from Shri S.N.Banerjee with the request that in terms of provisions of Sec 6(3) of the Act the aforesaid RTI applications may be taken as transferred to provide available information to the applicant in terms of provision of the RTI Act.

Nodal Officer, RTI, CEA, R.K. Puram, New Delhi along with copy of RTI application from Shri S.N.Banerjee with the request that in terms of provisions of Sec 6(3) of the Act the aforesaid RTI application may be taken as transferred to provide available information to the applicant in terms of provision of the RTI Act

CPIO & US (RTI), MOP for information.

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Ground Floor (front side), Chanderlok Building, 36, Janpath, New Delhi-1
Tele: 23353503 Fax: 23752975 Website: www.cercind.gov.in

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Dated: 23 -09- 2013

To

1. ✓ Shri S. Benjamin,
CPIO & Under Secretary (RTI),
Ministry of Power,
Shram Shakti Bhawan,
New Delhi
2. The Public Information Officer,
Central Electricity Authority,
Sewa Bhawan,
R.K.Puram, New Delhi

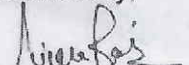
Subject: - Transfer of RTI application in terms of Section 6(3) of the RTI, Act, 2005 - reg.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of RTI application dated 07-09-2013 of Shri S.N. Banerjee, BA/8-B, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058 received under section 6(1) of RTI, Act, 2005 is being transferred herewith under section 6(3) of RTI Act, 2005 since the requisite information pertains to your office. It is requested to send the requisite information/documents to the applicant directly under intimation to this office.

2. The applicant has deposited requisite fee of Rs. 10/- with CPIO, CERC.

Yours faithfully,


(Tilak Raj)

Assistant Secretary &
Public Information Officer


Encl: - As above

Copy to:-

Shri S.N. Banerjee, BA/8-B, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058 You may like to pursue the matter with the above addressee of this letter in case non-receipt of reply.

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APPLICATION FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE RTI ACT, 2005

Dated, New Delhi, the 07th Sep 2013

To
Shri Tilak Raj, Asstt Secretary (P&A),
Public Information Officer,
Central Electricity Regulatory Commission.
3rd & 4th floor, Chanderlok Building,
36, Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001.

Subject: **Supply of Information under the RTI Act, 2005.**

Sir,

1. **Name & Address of Applicant:** S. N. Banerjee,
BA/8-B, Janakpuri,
New Delhi – 110058.

2. **Details of the case:**

(a) The Electricity Transmission Lines and the Towers, more often than not, involve appropriation of Private lands all along the routes of these lines. The Towers and HT lines pose serious dangers to the lives, human and livestock alike. The norms of safety significantly restrict the utility of the lands beneath the Lines in the entire route of the lines.

(b) Land is a scarce commodity. With the rapid Industrial growth all around and increase in residential use of the available vacant areas, indiscriminate and unplanned use of any area for Transmission of electricity would seriously jeopardize development.

(c) Public awareness in this regard relating to the Rules governing utilization of private lands and rights of land owners in the matter is extremely limited. Redressal of grievances, if any, mostly remain unresolved.

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3. Particulars of Information Required:

(i) Whether any standard operating procedure or laid down norms are followed in selecting location of towers and routes of the OH lines? If so, copies of such documents may be supplied.

(ii) If there is no such procedure or norms being followed, please intimate the basis on which the alignment and route of the High Tension Over Head lines are decided.

(iii) Whether there is any mechanism or procedure laid down for integrated planning or for comprehensive overview involving multiple HT lines passing through the same area. If so, copy of Rules/ procedures /guidelines may be furnished.

(iv) While deciding the route of the OH Lines, whether concurrence of the State Govt/ Local Bodies is obtained? Or, whether any consideration is given to the Notified present land use plan, as may have been promulgated by the State Govt.?

(v) Who is the Competent Authority who decides the final route and alignment of the HT lines? Details of such authority may be intimated.

(vi) Who is the competent Authority to whom a complaint can be lodged regarding the proposed route or a request for change of route can be made?

(vii) Please intimate the Law/ Rules/ Authority which provides for appropriation of privately owned lands for erection and positioning of the Towers? Copies of such Acts/Rules may be supplied.

(viii) Whether it is obligatory to obtain consent of the land owners before deciding the location of the towers or course of the route of the Over Head Lines? If so, Provisions/Rules in this regard may be supplied.

(ix) Whether Public Notification of the route of the High Tension Over Head Lines is mandatory under the Statute or the Rules? Copy of the Rules regulating such notifications may be furnished.

- (x) What are the Norms and Rules which lay down the land area requirements for installation of the Towers? Copy of the Rules/ Manual may be supplied.
- (xi) What is the status of the lands, vis-à-vis ownership and utilization, in respect of the lands on which the Towers are erected? Legal provisions in this regard may be furnished.
- (xii) What are the provisions and safety norms for lives and live-stock in the tower area and the HT over head lines? Copies of the Rules/manual/guidelines in this regard may be supplied.
- (xiii) How much land area comes under the category of Safety zones of the Towers and the Over Head Lines? Copies of the Rules/ Manual/ Guide Lines regulating such requirements may be supplied.
- (xiv) What are the restrictions and limitations imposed upon use of the lands under safety Zones and maintenance passage in the route of the HT Lines? Copies of the relevant Rules/ Manual may be furnished.
- (xv) What use the lands within the piers of the Towers and beneath the OH HT lines can be put to. Relevant Rules/ Manual may be furnished.
- (xvi) Please furnish copies of the Act/Statute which lay down and regulate provisions of payment of compensation for use of private owned lands for the Towers and OH Lines.
- (xvii) Whether compensation is payable to the land owners for the permanent severance of the lands occupied by the Towers? If so, the detailed Procedure, Rules and basis for computing such compensation may be furnished.
- (xviii) Whether any compensation is payable for the restrictions and limitations imposed upon the utilization of the lands under safety zone and maintenance line along the route of the OH Lines? If so, the detailed procedure and basis for calculating such compensation may be provided.
- (xix) If no compensation is payable for restricting the use of land involved, the rationale and reasons for the same may be communicated along with supporting Rules, if any.

(xx) What is the basis and consideration for calculation of compensation where the Towers and OH Lines are proposed to be erected in the areas earmarked for Industrial /Residential use, particularly, as the areas involved would lose such utility and potential.

(xxi) Whether Power Tariff charged from the end consumers includes the element of compensation paid for the lands held/used by the licensees/ authorities? If so, details of such consideration may be communicated

(xxii) Kindly intimate the total length of 220 KV, 440 KV and 765 KV HT lines, as installed at present in India. State-wise figures may be furnished.

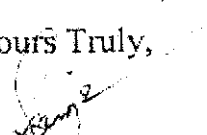
(xxiii) State-wise details of the proposals under consideration/sanctioned for further augmentation/ erection of these HT lines may be furnished.

4. It is prayed that the information sought, as above, may kindly be supplied to me for my information and appropriate action, if any.

A postal Order of Rs. 10/- only is attached as required under the Rules.

Thanking You,

Yours Truly,


(S N Banerjee)

Encl: Postal order no 20F 503032 for Rs 10/-