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Ministry of Power
Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi – 110001
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Dated: 1st November, 2013

To,

Shri A.Prakash Iyer,
No.323, A- Wing, Shantaram Tower,
Shivaji Path,
Ganesh Nagar,
Dombivli(West),
Thane Pin-421202

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

Sir,

Reference is invited to your application (Registration No. Power/R/2013/00282) dated 21/10/2013 under RTI Act addressed to CPIO and Nodal Officer (RTI), M/o Power and received in PG Section on 22/10/2013 regarding seeking information with regard to visits of Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde, former Minister of Power to abroad including China during the period from 29/1/2006 to 31/7/2012 and details of Power equipment purchased from China.

The information pertaining to PG Section, M/o Power relating to point no. 3 and 4 of your application is available with PGCIL, Gurgaon for which your application is being transferred to them for further appropriate action.

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

Yours faithfully,

(Ajay Joshi)

Under Secretary (PG) & CPIO

Copy to

CPIO/ Nodal Officer, RTI, PGCIL, Gurgaon along with RTI application from Shri A.Prakash Iyer 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.

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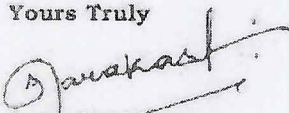
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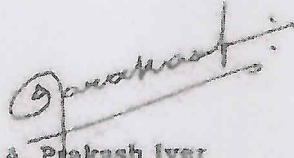
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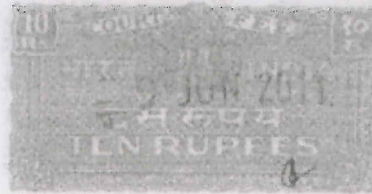
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