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POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED

(A Government of India Enterprise)

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संदर्भ संख्या/Ref. No

C/CP/RTI /2013/149

Date: 15th January, 2014

Shri G. Rajasekar S/o Shri Govindaswamy Jananoor, V.K.Pudur, Post- Krishnarayapuram Taluk, Karur Distt: Tamil Naru 639 108

Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Dear Mr. Rajasekar,

This has reference to your letter dated 9th December, 2013 (received on 16th December, 2013) seeking information under RTI Act, 2005. The information sought except point no. 5 is attached at **Annex-I**

The information sought at point no. 5 is not available with POWERGRID and pertaining to Central Electricity Authority (CEA). Accordingly, in terms of provisions of Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act, the aforesaid RTI application dated 9th December, 2013 is being transferred to CPIO, CEA with the request to forward the necessary information directly to you as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 with intimation.

Details of Appellate Authority, as per the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 is as under:

Shri B. Mishra
Executive Director (CP) & Appellate Authority, Corporate Centre
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
"Saudamini", Plot No. 2, Sector-29
Gurgaon – 122:007, Haryana

Thanking You,

भवदीय,

(सधीर मित्रल)

महाप्रबंधक (के.आ.) एवंके. लो. सू. अधिकारी

Attach: As above

Copy to:

Shri V. K. Singh Director (IRP) & CPIO Central Electricity Authority Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110066 Copy of the RTI request dated 9th December, 2013 of Shri G. Rajasekar is attached, please.

Necessary action to provide the information regarding point no. 5 to the requester as per the provisions of the RTI, Act, 2005 may be taken at your end, please.

Information sought by Shri G. Rajasekar, Tamil Naru under RTI Act, 2005

 There is no Joint Venture between POWERGRID and Ceylon Electricity Board for the undersea power transmission to Sri Lanka.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on 9th June 2010 among Govt. of India (GoI), Govt. of Sri Lanka (GoSL). Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) and Ceylone Electricity Board (CEB) for preparation of Feasibility study for interconnection between india Sri-Lanka Electricity Grids to carry 500 MW and 1000 MW electricity between the two countries. As per MoU, POWERGRID and CEB are 'Executing Agencies', who shall jointly prepare Feasibility Study.

As per present status, draft feasibility report has been prepared based on inputs and scope delivered by both the executing agencies i.e POWERGRID & CEB as per MoU but the same has not yet been finalized by both the Countries. Various route options has been sent to Ministry of Power, GoI who have forwarded the same to Ministry of Home Affairs, GoI for clearance of route proposed in the draft report from security angle. After clearance of Ministry of Home Affairs is obtained, other statutory clearness from Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Defence, Archaeological Survey of India, Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve Trust etc. would be sought and thereafter, draft report would be sent to GoI and GoSL for deliberations and finalization.

- 2) 500 MW or 1000 MW as proposed in above referred draft feasibility study.
- 3) Few alternatives have been proposed in the draft report, however, it is yet to be finalized. As per draft report the end points would be Madurai in India and New Anuradhapura in Sri Lanka.
- 4) Yet to be finalized.
- 5) Information regarding points No. 5 is not available with POWERGRID and is pertaining to CEA. Accordingly, CEA is being requested to furnish the reply.
- 6) Detailed project Report is at draft stage and not yet finalized by the two countries.