

पावर ग्रिड कोर्पोरेशन ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
सूचना का अधिकार अभिनियम 2005 के अंतर्गत अपीलिय अधिकारी
Appellate Authority under the RTI Act, 2005
केन्द्रीय कार्यालय, 'सौदामिनी', प्लॉट नं.2, सैक्टर-29, गुडगांव, हरियाणा-122007
Corporate Centre, 'Saudamini', Plot No. 2, Sector-29, Gurgaon, Haryana-122007

Ref: C/CP/AA/RTI/2015/288

Date: 9th September, 2016

Appellant: Shri Sanjay Dalmia, Jharkhand Small & Tiny, Industries Association, Shahid Ashram Road, B-Deoghar, Jharkhand, 814112

Appeal letter dated: 16th June, 2016

Public Authority: Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., Corporate Centre, Gurgaon.

Respondents: 1. Executive Director (Contract Services), Corporate Centre, POWERGRID, Gurgaon.
2. Dy. General Manager (CP) & CPIO, Corporate Centre, POWERGRID, Gurgaon.

ORDER

Grounds of Appeal

Appellate Authority, Corporate Centre, POWERGRID has received an appeal dated 16th June, 2016 from Shri Sanjay Dalmia, under RTI Act, 2005. Earlier, an application dated 28th January, 2016 was filed by the applicant with the CPIO, Corporate Centre, POWERGRID, Gurgaon, under RTI Act, 2005 seeking information regarding the following:

- (1) POWERGRID vide letter No. CC/DDUGJY&IPDS/EMP dated 25st January, 2016 informed that M/s Shankar Conductors (P) Ltd., had not been considered for empanelment.
- (2) Details of name, phone, fax. No. and email ID of the parties (i) who have applied for empanelment and (ii) considered for empanelment and marks secured by each non-empanelled applicant.
- (3) Marks secured by M/s Shanker Conductors (P) Ltd. along with full breakup and, calculation mark-sheet.
- (4) Copy of Factory inspection report sent by the Inspecting team.

The CPIO vide letter dated 9th May, 2016 furnished all the information/reply to the applicant except point No. (2), i.e. details of the parties (i) who have applied for empanelment and (ii) considered for empanelment and marks secured by each non-empanelled applicants.

Subsequently the applicant vide letter dated 16th June, 2016 had filed the appeal before the Appellate Authority, Corporate Centre, stating that:

- The first round of empanelment of units manufacturing ACSR conductors, etc. is over and I have not asked any information regarding bidding and hence, the reply of CPIO is evasive and diversionary. Therefore, details of name, phone, fax. No. and email ID of the parties (i) who have applied for empanelment and (ii) considered for empanelment and marks secured by each non-empanelled applicant obtained by them may be provided.

On receipt of the appeal, comments/opinion of CPIO and concerned department were heard and relevant papers perused. CPIO stated that on receipt of the RTI request, desired information was sought from concerned department. Based on the inputs from concerned department, all the information was furnished to the appellant except point No.2, i.e. details of empanelment of firms and marks obtained by non impaneled parties. In this regard, the applicant was informed that bidding process for the subject scheme is under process and as such the desired information can only be processed when the bidding procedure is over.

With regard to above, Contract Services department stated that the address, phone, fax no. and email-ID of such parties are available with POWERGRID in its fiduciary relationship with the participating firms and have no relationship to any public activity or interest. Moreover, these pertain to Third Party information. Therefore, same cannot be provided. However, names of the firms, who have been considered for empanelment for Conductor, can be shared with the applicant. Regarding marks secured by these firms, Contract Services department stated that empanelled firms have secured minimum 60 marks out of 100 against the specified marking Criteria.

Decision: After going through the appeal and the submissions made by CPIO and Contract Services department, I am of the opinion that address, phone, fax no. and email-ID of the parties are third parties information which are available with POWERGRID in its fiduciary relationship with the participating firms and have no relationship to any public activity or interest. Further, there is no larger public interest involved in disclosure of the above information. Considering the above, I am inclined to agree with the submission made by the Contract Services department that the information sought regarding phone no., fax no. and email-ID of the parties need not be disclosed as these are available with POWERGRID in its fiduciary relationship with the participating firms.

In view of the above, as submitted by the Contract department, CPIO is directed to collect the list of the name of the firms which have been considered for empanelment of conductor from the concerned department and same may be furnished to the appellant within 15 days from the issuance of this order.

The appeal is accordingly disposed off.

Yours sincerely,


Appellate Authority

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Jharkhand Small & Tiny, Industries Association,
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