

RTI REQUEST DETAILS

Registration No. : PGCIL/R/2016/80039 Date of Receipt : 20/07/2016

Transferred From : Ministry of Power on 20/07/2016 With Reference Number : POWER/R/2016/50412/1

Remarks : The said RTI Application has been transferred to PGCIL and CEA on 12th July, 2016 for furnishing available information to the applicant directly under intimation to this Ministry.

Type of Receipt : Electronically Transferred from Other Public Authority Language of Request : English

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Status(Rural/Urban) : Urban Education Status :

Letter No. : Details not provided Letter Date : Details not provided

Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? : No Citizenship Status : Indian

Amount Paid : 0 (RTI fee is received by Ministry of Power (original recipient)) Mode of Payment : Payment Gateway

Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? : No(Normal) Request Pertains to :

400 KV D/C Transmission Line, Malerkotla to Amritsar by SPV NRSS XXXI (B) Transmission Limited

Information Sought : As per procedures under section 164 of Electricity Act 2003, the licensee / applicant shall cause such transmission to be published in Official Gazette and at least two local daily newspapers along with notice of date, not being less than two months after date of publication, before which any interested person may make a representation on such scheme. The licensee / applicant shall take into consideration the objections / representations before finalizing the optimal route alignment. This act can hold good for towns and cities but not for villages.

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2. One does not subscribe to and read each and every published

newspaper and circulated in a State.

3. Almost all villages (with exception of very few) through which the above cable route passes do not have newspaper venders and hence no access to newspapers on daily basis.

4. Most of farmers are too busy to sit and read news papers on daily basis as they are too busy in their field works.

5. Quite a few farmers / land owners are still illiterate and are unable to read any newspaper.

6. Quite a few land owners stay on foreign lands and as such have no access to Indian newspapers.

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Under the foregoing circumstances, since the route was defined and approved and as such the affected land owners were known to NRSS, why NRSS was not asked by Ministry of Power / CEA to notify these land owners individually, to seek objections (if any) by parties affected by cable routes. This was done later by them when they approached each and every party prior to execution of their works. Why they were not asked by MOP / CEA to approach each individuals to seek objections. Please let me know.

I will look forward to hear from you on the foregoing soon.

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