



पावर ग्रिड कॉर्पोरेशन ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड

Power Grid Corporation of India Limited

सूचना का अधिकार अभिनियम 2005 के अंतर्गत केन्द्रीय लोक सूचना अधिकारी

Central Public Information Officer under the RTI Act, 2005

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Corporate Centre, 'Saudamini', Plot No. 2, Sector-29, Gurgaon, Haryana-122007



CP/RTI/2016/55

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

Shri Pawan Kumar Agarwal  
Raha Town Nagaon  
Assam-782103

Sub: **Information under Right to Information Act, 2005 (Application No.55 dated 14.04.2016 received on 03.05.2016.)**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to MoP letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 (received on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2016), transferring your RTI request dated 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, under RTI Act, 2005.

The information sought is attached at **Annex-I**.

First Appeal, if any, against the reply of CPIO may be made to the first appellate Authority within 30 days of the receipt of the reply of CPIO. Details of Appellate Authority at Corporate Centre, Gurgaon, under RTI Act, 2005 is as below:

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Thanking you,

भवदीय,

सतीश कुमार जे.  
26/5/16.

(सतीश कुमार जे.)

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Copy to: Shri Sanjeev Jain  
Under Secretary (PG), Ministry of Power  
Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001.

1) Please provide the copy of Guidelines for payment of compensation towards damages of land & horticulture crops and other crops damages due to erection of Tower & Tower line of 132 KV D/C line & 400 KV D/C Tower line of Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd.

*Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) is a Government of India enterprise engaged in the business of bulk power transmission and associated activities. It is a designated "Central Transmission Utility" (CTU) under section 38 of the Electricity Act, 2003. Being a CTU, it is also a "Deemed Transmission Licensee" under section 14 of the said Act. The provisions stipulated in section 67-68 of the said act read with section 10 & 16 of the "Indian Telegraph Act, 1885" governs the compensation as POWERGRID has been vested with the powers of Telegraph Authority vide MOP's Gazette Notification dated 24.12.03 under section 164 of the Electricity Act, 2003.*

2) Please provide the information about process have to be adopted by the PGCIL for erecting of Tower at land of ownership, Govt. land and other land. Before starting of any activity of Foundation of Tower, Erection of Tower, Stringing of conductors, attempt to make any damages.

*Before start of construction work, a notice is served to the land owners informing them that the proposed transmission line is being routed through the property of the individual. The notice shall contain the particulars of the land, ownership details and the details of the trees/crops likely to be damaged during the course of the construction of the proposed Transmission Line and Acknowledgement is received from the land owners.*

*The revenue/POWERGRID officials after verification of the documents related to the proof of ownership prepare a detailed report for the identified trees and crops damaged during the course of the construction. For assessing the true value of timber yielding trees, help of forest officials is taken and for fruit bearing trees, help of Horticulture department is taken. Once the tree/crop is removed / damaged, POWERGRID issues tree cutting/crop damaged notice to the land owner with a copy to the Revenue Officer to process the compensation payment. Based on the above the compensation payment is prepared for this purpose. On approval of compensation, POWERGRID arrange payment by way of Demand Draft/Cheques to the affected parties. The payment is disbursed at the local village office after due verification of the documents in presence of other witnesses. The same process is applied during erection and stringing, if damages are caused in such stages also.*



*As regard any property/land vested in or under the control or management of any local authority, provisions of section 10 (C) of Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 are followed.*

**3) Please provide the system guideline of computation of damages due to Foundation, Erection, Stringing of conductor & right of way etc.**

*Explained as part of the answer to query no. 2.*

**4) Please provide the copy of the latest circular/order of the Ministry of power, send to the State Government of Assam & Deputy Commissioner of Districts of Assam, Cachar and Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd and other relevant Authority regarding computation of payment of compensation due to Tower and Tower line to the affected persons/ land owners etc.**

*The relevant circular enclosed. Detailed guidelines can also be accessed on the following link:*

[http://powermin.nic.in/sites/default/files/uploads/Guidelines\\_for\\_payment\\_of\\_compensation\\_towards\\_damages\\_in\\_regard.pdf](http://powermin.nic.in/sites/default/files/uploads/Guidelines_for_payment_of_compensation_towards_damages_in_regard.pdf)

**5) Please provide the name of the proper authority to make appeal against any order of District Authority/ Deputy Commissioner in the event of dissatisfied/aggrieved against order of Deputy Commissioner/Collector concerned to the payment of compensation & computation due to damage of Tower and Tower Line.**

*In case of disagreement with the decision of District Authority regarding sufficiency of the compensation, the owner of the asset/land can approach the District Judge as per the provisions of section- 16 (3) of Indian Telegraph Act, 1885.*



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Government of India  
Ministry of Power  
Shram Shakti Bhawan  
Rafi Marg, New Delhi – 110001

Dated, 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2015

To

1. Chief Secretaries/Administrators of all the States/UTs  
(As per list attached)
2. Chairperson, CEA, New Delhi with the request to disseminate the above guidelines to all the stakeholders.
3. CMD, PGCIL, Gurgaon.
4. CEO, POSOCO, New Delhi.
5. Secretary, CERC, New Delhi.
6. CMD of State Power Utilities/SEBs

Subject: Guidelines for payment of compensation towards damages in regard to Right of Way for transmission lines.

During the Power Ministers Conference held on April 9-10, 2015 at Guwahati with States/UTs, it has, *inter alia*, been decided to constitute a Committee under the chairmanship of Special Secretary, Ministry of Power to analyse the issues related to Right of Way for laying of transmission lines in the country and to suggest a uniform methodology for payment of compensation on this count. Subsequently, this Ministry had constituted a Committee with representatives from various State Governments and others. The Committee held several meetings to obtain the views of State Governments on the issue and submitted its Report along with the recommendations (copy of the Report is at Annex-1).

2. The Recommendations made by the Committee are hereby formulated in the form of following guidelines for determining the compensation towards "damages" as stipulated in section 67 and 68 of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Section 10 and 16 of Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 which will be in addition to the compensation towards normal crop and tree damages. This amount will be payable only for transmission lines supported by a tower base of 66 KV and above, and not for sub-transmission and distribution lines below 66 KV:-

- (i) Compensation @ 85% of land value as determined by District Magistrate or any other authority based on Circle rate/ Guideline value/ Stamp Act rates for tower base area (between four legs) impacted severely due to installation of tower/pylon structure;

- (ii) Compensation towards diminution of land value in the width of Right of Way (RoW) Corridor due to laying of transmission line and imposing certain restriction would be decided by the States as per categorization/type of land in different places of States, subject to a maximum of 15% of land value as determined based on Circle rate/ Guideline value/ Stamp Act rates;
- (iii) In areas where land owner/owners have been offered/ accepted alternate mode of compensation by concerned corporation/ Municipality under Transfer Development Rights (TDR) policy of State, the licensee /Utility shall deposit compensation amount as per (i) & (ii) above with the concerned Corporation/ Municipality/ Local Body or the State Government.
- (iv) For this purpose, the width of RoW corridor shall not be more than that prescribed in the table at Annex-2 and shall not be less than the width directly below the conductors.

3. Necessary action may kindly be taken accordingly. These guidelines may not only facilitate an early resolution of RoW issues and also facilitate completion of the vital transmission lines through active support of State/ UT administration.

4. All the States/UTs etc. are requested to take suitable decision regarding adoption of the guidelines considering that acquisition of land is a State subject.

Yours faithfully,

*Jyoti Arora*  
(Jyoti Arora)

Joint Secretary (Trans.)

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Copy, along with enclosure, forwarded to the following:

1. Secretaries of Government of India (Infrastructure Ministries/Deptt including MoEF - As per attached list)
2. Prime Minister's Office (Kind Attn: Shri Nripendra Mishra, Principal Secretary to PM).
3. Technical Director, NIC, Ministry of Power with the request to host on the website of Ministry of Power.

Copy to PS to Hon'ble MoSP (IC) / Secretary (Power) / AS (BNS) / AS (BPP) / All Joint Secretaries/EA/ All Directors/DSs, Ministry of Power.