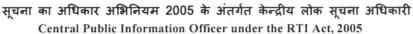


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Corporate Centre, 'Saudamini', Plot No. 2, Sector-29, Gurgaon, Haryana-122007

CP/RTI/2017/399

Date: 14th December, 2017

Shri Himanshu Chauhan, S/o Shri B.S.Chauhan, Chauhan Bhawan, New Vikas Coloney, Srinagar Road Pauri, District: Pauri Garhwal, State: Uttarakhand – 246 001

Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sir.

This has reference to your RTI request on 21st November, 2017, seeking information under RTI Act, 2005. Point wise reply of the queries are given below:

Point No. 1

Gentral Information regarding the projects awarded by POWERGRID such as Name of Contractor, Date of Award, Value of the Contract and other related information can be seen from POWERGRID's official webside i.e http://www.powergridindia.com/ under the head Tenders.

Point No. 2,3 &4

It is to inform that establishments of POWERGRID are spread all over length and breadth of the country and desired information is not ready available at Corporate Centre. The desired information has been sought from various offices of POWERGRID and shall be forwarded after getting the same fro-respective offices.

Point No. 5

M/s Crompton Greaves Limited (CGL) has not been banned/black-listed by POWERGRID (However, in one of the cases, Transgressions/ irregularities were observed for which CGL was excluded from future contract award processes of Substation Packages for a period of 6 months commencing from date of issuance of letter i.e 07.10.2016 (copy of letter has been attached for your reference at Annexure-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:

Shri Sanjeev Singh,

Executive Director (CMG) & Appellate Authority

Corporate Centre, Power Grid Corporation of India Limited

"Saudamini", Plot No. 2, Sector-29, Gurgaon – 122007, Haryana.

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Thanking you,

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संदर्भ संख्या/Ref. No.

SPEED POST/ REGISTERED POST/ COURIER

Ref. No. CC-CS/P&S/CGL

Date: 07/10/2016

M/s. Crompton Greaves Limited 3rd Floor, Tower A, DLF Cyber-Green, Sector-25-A, DLF Phase-III (Cyber City), Gurgaon-122002

KIND ATTN.: Mr. Sanjay Sahni, General Manager-Unit Head

SUB: Transgressions/irregularities during execution of Substation Package-S1 for (i) Extension of 400/220 kV Kishenpur including Transformers under Augmentation of Transformation Capacity in Northern and Eastern Region, (ii) Extension of 400 kV Kishenpur and Abdullapur S/s under Northern Region Strengthening Scheme-XXIV and (iii) Extension of 765 kV Moga S/s under Northern region Strengthening Scheme-XXVI; Contract Agreement Nos: CC-CS/323-NR2/SS-1454/3/G2/CA-I&II/4464 & 4465 dated 31.10,2012

Dear Sir.

- WHEREAS POWERGRID had awarded the subject contract(s) on 1.0 M/s. Crompton Greaves Limited.
- 2.0 WHEREAS inspection of the construction site had been done by POWERGRID in March 2014.
- 3.0 WHEREAS, subsequent to the visit, further investigations were conducted and in addition to various irregularities in execution of the said work, the following was inter-alia observed:
 - 77 nos. Concrete cube test reports were generated prior to the receipt of samples by Omega Test House, Panchkula, the third party laboratory. Thus, CGL had submitted forged test results.
 - CGL had sub-let the civil works to a local contractor of Kishenpur, M/s. Naresh Kumar without obtaining any approval from POWERGRID. Further the construction material like cement and steel were also procured by the local contractor for the said work.
 - The spare bay of 66kV BPI foundation was dismantled during inspection as the length of steel bars was found short from the top. On dismantling, the length of 5 out of 8 reinforcement bars used, were observed as 540mm, 800mm, 830mm, 1450mm & 1630mm against requirement of 1700mm.

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- iv) Excess excavation of earth which otherwise was not payable as per Contract conditions was done by CGL, the payment made towards the same was later recovered by POWERGRID.
- v) During inspection it was observed that firewalls constructed at the site were not vertically upright and were bulged at several places which clearly depicted bad quality of workmanship.
- vi) On inspection, the support columns of radiator bank and fire fighting system around the ICT were found to be eccentrically loaded as the base plate of support structures were fixed eccentrically on the outer edges of the RCC Column
- vii) The testing of core cutting samples taken from RCC Column no. 103 of 66kV BPI (Tertiary bus) for spare ICT, revealed that the compressive strength of the concrete was 9.2N/mm2 instead of required 21.25N/mm2.
- viii) In addition to the above issues/discrepancies, it was observed that there was inadequate testing of concrete cubes as per SFQP, equipment structures were erected on RCC Columns without placing Lock/Check Nuts and spring washers etc., Coping work on the foundation columns was not executed before charging of ICT and there was no traceability of batch/lot no. and make of cement used in the concrete work
- 4.0 WHEREAS all of the above issues were put up before the panel of Independent External Monitors (IEMs) appointed under the Integrity Pact.
- WHEREAS after considering all relevant aspects, it has been found that CGL has misrepresented facts and furnished false/forged documents in order to influence execution of the Contract to the detriment of POWERGRID, which constitutes gross violation/serious transgression of the Integrity pact under Section II (1) f).
- Noting this to be a first transgression by CGL under the Integrity Pact, it has been decided that CGL shall be excluded from future contract award processes of Substation Packages for a period of 6 months, under the relevant provisions of the bidding documents in regard to capacity and capability assessment of the contractor prior to award, on the basis of past performance of contract. The above period of 6 months shall be reckoned from the date of this letter and bids, if any, submitted by you either solely or in Joint Venture with any other firm, during such period, shall be considered non-responsive.

Further, please note that CGL is advised to refrain from indulging in such unethical practices in future. In case, at any stage, CGL is found to act otherwise, POWERGRID would be constrained to take action against them, in line with the provisions of Integrity Pact signed by them as well as Works and Procurement Policy & Procedures of POWERGRID and the Contract Documents, the said action could also include banning of business/cancellation of orders.

Thanking you.

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Yours faithfully

(C.S. Gupta) AGM (CS-P&S)