



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/2018/207

Date: 18th July, 2018

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Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sir,

This has reference to your RTI request dated 20th June, 2018 for providing information under RTI Act, 2005.

Available information is attached 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:

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Thanking you,

भवदीय,

(अजय होलानी)

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Point wise reply of the queries pertaining to Corporate Contract Services Department is given below:

Query:

1. Please provide me information as to whether PGCIL maintains a panel of EPC contractors for undertaking construction work of transmission corridors/ network developed under either Section 62 or Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003?
2. If answer to question no. 1 is yes, then, please provide me the list of the EPC contractors on the panel of PGCIL, under Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003?
3. If answer to question no. 1 is yes, then, please provide me the list of the EPC contractors on the panel of PGCIL, under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003?
4. Please provide the project wise data/ list of all the EPC contractors contracted by PGCIL, and the contracted price against each of such contractors, for execution of all transmission projects by PGCIL, since the year 2003, which have been implemented under Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003?
5. Please provide the project wise data/ list of all the EPC contractors contracted by PGCIL, and the contracted price against each of such contractors, for execution of all transmission projects by PGCIL, since the year 2003, which have been implemented under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003?

Reply

1.0 Reply to Query 1, Query 2, Query 3:

POWERGRID usually go for open tendering in case of EPC contracts for projects under Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003. As such, POWERGRID usually doesnot maintain any panel of EPC contractors for undertaking construction work of transmission corridors/ networks. For projects under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003, please refer reply at Sr. No. 3 below.


2.0 Reply to Query 4:

For transmission lines developed under Section 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 i.e. on Cost Plus Basis, general information to these projects awarded (since 2008) by POWERGRID, such as Name of Contractor, Date of Award, Value of the Contract, Name of the project and other related information can be seen from POWERGRID's official website i.e. <http://www.powergridindia.com/> under the head Tenders. In the event, you desire to inspect any specific documents/records; you can also do so by visiting our Corporate Office on any working day with prior intimation. The information sought by the applicant is voluminous in nature and gathering of this information would disproportionately divert resources of the Public Authority.

3.0 Reply to Query 5:

The sought information pertains to transmission projects developed under Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003 i.e. projects won by POWERGRID under Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process.

In regard to Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) kind of projects, it is to state that the information in regard to Procurement packages under TBCB Projects warrants confidentiality as they are of commercial confidence in nature, wherein POWERGRID itself is a bidder competing in the Bidding Process with various other players. Sharing of this information may jeopardize POWERGRIDs interest which may result in loss of business in TBCB Projects for POWERGRID. In view of the above, the information pertaining to TBCB Projects cannot be furnished.

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before the appointed date, shall continue to apply for a period of one year or until the terms and conditions for tariff are specified under this section, whichever is earlier.

Section 62. (Determination of tariff): --- (1) The Appropriate Commission shall determine the tariff in accordance with the provisions of this Act for -

- (a) supply of electricity by a generating company to a distribution licensee:

Provided that the Appropriate Commission may, in case of shortage of supply of electricity, fix the minimum and maximum ceiling of tariff for sale or purchase of electricity in pursuance of an agreement, entered into between a generating company and a licensee or between licensees, for a period not exceeding one year to ensure reasonable prices of electricity;

- (b) transmission of electricity ;
- (c) wheeling of electricity;
- (d) retail sale of electricity:

Provided that in case of distribution of electricity in the same area by two or more distribution licensees, the Appropriate Commission may, for promoting competition among distribution licensees, fix only maximum ceiling of tariff for retail sale of electricity.

(2) The Appropriate Commission may require a licensee or a generating company to furnish separate details, as may be specified in respect of generation, transmission and distribution for determination of tariff.

(3) The Appropriate Commission shall not, while determining the tariff under this Act, show undue preference to any consumer of electricity but may differentiate according to the consumer's load factor, power factor, voltage, total consumption of electricity during any specified period or the time at which the supply is required or the geographical position of any area, the nature of supply and the purpose for which the supply is required.

(4) No tariff or part of any tariff may ordinarily be amended, more frequently than once in any financial year, except in respect of any changes expressly permitted under the terms of any fuel surcharge formula as may be specified.

(5) The Commission may require a licensee or a generating company to comply with such procedures as may be specified for calculating the expected revenues from the tariff and charges which he or it is permitted to recover.

(6) If any licensee or a generating company recovers a price or charge exceeding the tariff determined under this section, the excess amount shall be recoverable by the person who has paid such price or charge along with interest equivalent to the bank rate without prejudice to any other liability incurred by the licensee.

Section 63. (Determination of tariff by bidding process):

Notwithstanding anything contained in section 62, the Appropriate Commission shall adopt the tariff if such tariff has been determined through transparent process of bidding in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government.

Section 64. (Procedure for tariff order): --- (1) An application for determination of tariff under section 62 shall be made by a generating company or licensee in such manner and accompanied by such fee, as may be determined by regulations.

(2) Every applicant shall publish the application, in such abridged form and manner, as may be specified by the Appropriate Commission.

(3) The Appropriate Commission shall, within one hundred and twenty days from receipt of an application under sub-section (1) and after considering all suggestions and objections received from the public,-

- (a) issue a tariff order accepting the application with such modifications or such conditions as may be specified in that order;
- (b) reject the application for reasons to be recorded in writing if such application is not in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the rules and regulations made thereunder or the provisions of any other law for the time being in force:

Provided that an applicant shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard before rejecting his application.

(4) The Appropriate Commission shall, within seven days of making the order, send a copy of the order to the Appropriate Government, the Authority, and the concerned licensees and to the person concerned.