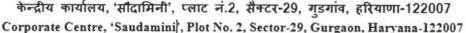


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सूचना का अधिकार अभिनियम 2005 के अंतर्गत केन्द्रीय लोक सूचना अधिकारी Central Public Information Officer under the RTI Act, 2005 केन्द्रीय कार्यालय 'मीटामिनी' प्लाट नं 2 मैक्टर-20 सहस्रात हरिस्तामा-122007





PGCIL/R/2018/50797 Dated: 25 January, 2019

Moses Mazgaonkar, B-503, Everest Dignity, Near Bhaili Railway Station, Opp. BANCO,

Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sir/Madam,

This has reference to your RTI request dated 10 December, 2018 for providing information under RTI Act, 2005.

The desired 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:

Shri Sanjeev Singh,
Executive Director (CMG) & Director (

Thanking you,

भवदीय.

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वरिश्ठ महाप्रबंधक (के. आ.) एवं के.लो.स्.अधिकारी

Email ID: cpio.cc@powergrid.co.in

1) Amount of money contributed or donated towards Statue of Unity Project.

Reply: POWERGRID has contributed Rs.12.50 Crore during FY 2017-18.

2) Name of body, organization, institution to which the contribution was made

Reply: Contribution has been made to Sardar Vallabhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust (SVPRET), Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat

3) Copy of minutes, details of discussion pertaining to meeting of Board of Directors sanctioning contribution for Statue of Unity Project

Reply: Copy of minutes of Board of Directors is attached at Annex-II

4) Copy of Application, Appeal or Instruction requesting contribution for Statue of Unity Project

Reply: Copy of application attached at Annex-III

5) Details of conditions laid down by the Board of Directors while making such contribution for Statue of Unity Project.

Reply: Reply given at Question No.3 above

6) Details of action taken on remarks or comments made in CAG Report No. 18 of 2018, submitted to Parliament in August 2018.

Reply: The CAG Report No. 18 of 2018 is titled as — 'Union Government (Commercial)-General Purpose Financial Reports of Central Public Sector Enterprises (Compliance Audit)'. The Report is on the general financial performance of all the PSEs. In case of specific remarks or comments in the above mentioned Report by CAG in respect of POWERGRID, reply has been submitted to CAG through Ministry of Power, the administrative ministry.

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POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED

Extracts from the minutes of the 351st Meeting of POWERGRID Board of Directors held on Friday, the 16th March, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. at POWERGRID Office- Room No.211, The Ashok, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021.

Item No.351.2.11:- (Para Nos.351.2.11.1 to 351.2.11.3.)

Contribution of ₹12.5Crore under CSR of POWERGRID to "Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust" (SVPRET) for construction of "Statue of Unity" at Gandhinagar, Gujarat:-

351.2.11.1. It was informed that the CSR Committee, in its meeting held on that day i.e. 16.03.2018, had approved the subject proposal. The same is required to be ratified by the Board.

Regarding the proposal, it was explained that an iconic 182 meter tall statue, a tribute to the Iron Man of India, is being built at the Sadhu-Bet Island, approximately 3.5 kms south of Sardar Sarovar Dam at Kevadia in the Narmada district of Gujarat. This inspiring memorial site, with a number of edu-tainment components, is located between the Vindhyachal and Satpuda Ranges rising weir Narmada River, impounded by Garudeshwar, the Sardar Sarovar Dam and the town of Kevadia. The glory of this grand monument will be enhanced by a picturesque backdrop. Its unique location will prove to be beneficial for eco-tourism and regional development. The total project cost is estimated to be ₹2989Crore (including ₹2332Crore as construction cost and ₹657Crore for O&M for 15 years), and is scheduled to be completed by October, 2018.

- 351.2.11.2. The project is a National Project signifying our National Pride and in the noble task of installing values of patriotism amongst our current and future generations. The project will also build the image of the country as the statue shall be the largest statue in the world. In view of the above, it has been proposed to contribute an amount of ₹12.5Crore under CSR of POWERGRID to "Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust (SVPRET)", the organization heading the project.
- 351.2.11.3. After deliberations, the Board approved the proposal. The Board passed the following resolution:

"Resolved that the proposal for contribution of ₹12.5Crore for part funding under CSR of POWERGRID to "Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust (SVPRET)" for construction of "Statue of Unity" at Gandhinagar, Gujarat, as brought out in the background note & approved by CSR Committee, be and is hereby ratified."

For kind information please.

ED(ESMD, CSR & LA)

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Dr. J. N. SINGH, IAS Chief Secretary



Annex-III

Government of Gujarat Block No. 1, 5th Floor, Sardar Bhavan, Sachivalaya Gandhinagar-382 010.

Phone: +91-79-23250301/03

Fax: +91-79-23250305 Date: 6th March, 2018

Sub: Request to make a substantial contribution from CSR to the Project of Statue of Unity Dear Shrigha

I am pleased to inform you that Government of Gujarat has made major progress in the implementation of a Project of immense significance to our national pride and in the noble task of installing values of patriotism amongst our current and future generations: "The Statue of Unity".

In this regard, it is reiterated that the project conceptualized by the then Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Narendra Modi, commemorates the contribution of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel to the nation building which is of immense significance to our national pride and to the noble task of re-in forcing patriotic values & culture amongst the present and future generation.

I am writing to you to request you to participate in this National Project so that your company would support and participate in these efforts. The Project as the accompany brochures, and the materials shows, comprises the following.

- a) 182 mtrs. high bronze plated Statue of Sardar Patel which is due for completion by October 2018 and would be the world's tallest Statue (at nearly twice the height of Statue of Liberty).
- A National Museum for Sardar Patel and the Indian Freedom Movement which is pegged at the highest international standards.
- c) The Memorial & Visitors center, gardens etc.

The entire project cost is ₹ 2989 crores (Construction cost ₹2332 crore and ₹657 crore for O&M for 15 years) and is under implementation through the Indian consortium M/s. L&T consortium. The work is ongoing at a rapid pace.

I, therefore, once again exhort you to make a substantial contribution to this Project so that your company's participation would be a significant support this a national monument. The donation to be made out in favour of "Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust" (SVPRET), the Organization that is heading this Project.

The Trust has already secured exemption under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act. The brochure covering the details of the project is enclosed for your ready reference.

Looking forward to an expeditious action at your end.

With regards.

Yours sincerely,

To.

Shri I.S. Jha, Chairman and Managing Director, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. B-9, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi-110016

14/3/18