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To,
The General Manager & Public Information Officer,
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited,
B-09, Qutub Institutional Area,
Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi - 110 016 [India]

Dear Sir,

Sub : An application U/s. 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

I, the undersigned on behalf of the client namely Sri Krishna Kumar Karwa, Son of Late Nand Lal Karwa, resident of Jamunalal Bajaj Road, PO. & PS. Siliguri, District- Darjeeling West Bengal, PIN - 734 005, being a Citizen of India exercise our right as embodied U/s. 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 and submit this application with a request you to provide me the following information/documents :-

DETAILS OF WHICH INFORMATION/COPY(IES) OF DOCUMENT(S) IS/ARE
SEEKING

- a) Please provide the estimated total project cost of 800 KV HVDC Transmission Line from Biswanath Chariali to Agra;
- b) Please provide the estimated amount of compensation to be paid as damages for erection of transmission towers from Biswanath Chariyali to Agra to the individual land owner/land occupier separately giving the tower location no. , district wise in the State of Assam, West Bengal, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh; And in case, the compensation has already paid to individual land owner(s)/land occupier(s) , then the actual amount of compensation as paid, be provided giving the tower location no. name and addresses of such individual land owner(s)/land occupier(s);
- c) Is the erection work of 800 KV HVDC Transmission Line from Biswanath Chariali to Agra is done by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited itself or by some contractor(s) or agency(ies) has/have/had been appointed to do the said work on behalf of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited; If any such Agency(ies) or

Contractor(s) is/are pursuing the aforesaid work on behalf of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, then the name and addresses of all such agency(ies) or contractor(s) be provided/ supplied along with the details of the work entrusted upon them or to be looked after by them together with the terms and conditions thereof, in respect of the erection of tower in the area of the districts of Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling and Uttar Dinanajpur of West Bengal ;

- x d) Please also provide the numbers of total towers with location no. of the tower , to be erected by the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited or by the said contractor(s)/agency(ies) in the area of the aforesaid districts of Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling and Uttar Dinanajpur in respect of the aforesaid transmission line in West Bengal;
- x e) Please provide the details of the amount, if paid as compensation for temporary damages caused in erection of each tower in the area of the aforesaid districts of West Bengal to each of the individual land owner(s)/ occupier(s) of land in respect of the aforesaid transmission line together with tower location no. and also the name and addresses of such individual land owner(s)/occupier(s) of the land and also provide the information as to whether such damages was paid by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited or by any other agency(ies) or Contractor(s) on behalf of Power Grid, if any appointed in this matter;
- x f) Please provide the details of the amount, if paid as compensation for permanent damages of the land caused in course of erection of the aforesaid transmission tower in the area of the aforesaid districts of West Bengal to each of the individual land owner (s) or occupier (s) of the land together with tower location no. and also the name and addresses of such individual land owner/occupier of the land and also provide the information as to whether such damages was paid by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited or by any other agency(ies) or contractor(s) on behalf of Power Grid, if appointed in this matter;

- g) Please provide the details of the amount paid as compensation for getting right of the way in respect of the aforesaid transmission line to each of the individual land owner(s)/occupier(s) in the area of the aforesaid districts of West Bengal together with location no. of tower and also the names and addresses of such land owner(s)/occupier(s) of the land;
- h) Please provide the details of the land, if purchased/acquired/taken on lease for the aforesaid transmission line [for construction of power generation house, for erection of tower and for right of way separately] together with location of power generation houses/ tower location no. and the amount paid for such purchases/acquisition/amount of rent, the name and addresses of the person(s) from whom the land had/has been acquired/purchased/leased in;
- i) Please provide the details of the cases pending in the Court of law and/or before the Hon'ble High Court and/or before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in respect of the aforesaid transmission line either instituted by or against Power Grid Corporation of India together with respective tower location no. , name and addresses of the persons/organizations by/against which the cases are pending;

I, am so enclosing the Indian Postal Order of Rs. 10/= for providing/sending such information/details and also undertake to pay further deficit amount of fee , if any, as and when directed by your good office. So, I request your good office to be kind enough to supply the same and oblige.

Dated: 26.12.2014

Encl. : Indian postal Order
No. 01F 345692, dt. 26.12.2014
For Rs. 10/-

Sincerely Yours,

Ritika Somani
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[Ritika Somani, Advocate]
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संदर्भ संख्या/Ref No: NESH/PESM/RTI/1117/ 388

दिनांक/Date: 27.03.2015

To:

Ms. Ritika Somani,
C/o Sri B.P.Somani,
Sahal Apartmant,
3rd Floor, Sukanta Sarani,
Milan Pally, Siliguri-734005,
Dist. Darjeeling, West Bengal.

Sub: Reply to your RTI Query vide application dated 26.12.2014, received on 22.01.2015.

Madam,

- 1.0 This is in reference to your application dated 26.12.2015 under RTI Act 2005, received on 22.01.2015.
- 2.0 This information against the portion under POWERGRID's North Eastern Region Transmission System i.e. from Biswanath Chariali, Assam to Barabisa, West Bengal of the ±800 KV HVDC Transmission Line from Biswanath Chariali to Agra is given below:

Sl. No.	Your query	Information
a)	Estimated total project cost of 800 KV HVDC Transmission Line from Biswanath Chariali to Agra.	INR 11130.19 Crores (As per original estimate) Total estimated project cost for entire line, end sub-stations and associated transmission system.
b)	The estimated amount of compensation to be paid as damages for erection of transmission towers from Biswanath Chariali to Agra to the individual land owner/land occupier separately giving the tower location No., district wise in the State of Assam, West Bengal, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh; And in case, the compensation has already paid to individual land owner(s)/land occupier(s), then the actual amount of compensation as paid, be provided giving the tower location no. name and addresses of such individual land owner(s)/land occupier(s).	There are huge numbers of landowners whose land has been affected during construction of the line and while for almost all of them compensation has been estimated, payment have also been released to most. For portion of the line under POWERGRID, NERTS i.e. from Biswanath Chariali to Barabis (Assam Bengal Border) several thousands of landowners are involved and it shall involve exorbitantly high costs and man-hours to compile and forward the details of individual cases. Therefore, it is suggested that the informations/documents related to compensation payment under NER portion may please be inspected at the following offices of POWERGRID as per provisions of RTI Act 2005: A. Biswanath Charali T/L Const. Office, Biswanath Ghat Road, P.O: Burigang, Dist. : Sonitpur - 784176, Assam. B. Tezpur T/L Const. office, Near Collegiate High School, Vill: Mazgaon, Baruah Chuburi, Tezpur-784001, Sonitpur, Assam.

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Sl. No.	Your query	Information
		C. Rangia T/L Const. office SDO Civil Road, Milonpur, Rangia Dist.: Kamrup-781345, Assam. D. Bongaigaon T/L Const. office, Vill.: Fukagaon, P.O: Salakati, Dist.: Kokrajhar (BTAD) – 783369, Assam. E. Pathsala T/L Const. office, P/O: Pathsala, Ward No. 3, Opp. Irrigation Office, Dist.: Barpeta-781325, Assam. in presence of POWERGRID representative.
(c) to (g)	Your queries from Sl. No. (c) to (h) does not pertain to POWERGRID, NERTS.	
h)	Please provide the details of the land, if purchased/acquired/taken on lease for the aforesaid transmission line b(for construction of power generations house, for erection of tower and for right of way separately) together with location of power generation houses/tower location no. and the amount paid for such purchases/acquisition/amount of rent, the name and addresses of the persons from who land had/has been acquired/purchased/leased in	POWERGRID, NERTS has undertaken construction of the HVDC line portion from Biswanath Chariali to Barabisa and for the purpose no land has been acquired, purchased or leased in. However, no generation house associated with the ± 800 KV HVDC Transmission Line (i.e. for Biswanath Chariali to Barisa section) has been constructed under POWERGRID, North East Region.
i)	The details of the cases pending in the Court of law and/or before the Hon'ble High Court and/or before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in respect of the aforesaid transmission line either instituted by or against Power Grid Corporation of India together with respective tower location No., name and addresses of the persons/organizations by/against which the cases are pending.	As on date no cases are pending against POWERGRID against the portion of the line in NERTS in the court of law or high court.

3.0 Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Thanking you,


Copy to:

- 1.0 GM (CP)/CPIO, POWERGRID, CC, Gurgaon
- 2.0 GM (PESM)/CPIO, POWERGRID, NR-I, New Delhi

Copy to (NOI) :

- 1.0 DGM (Vig.), NERTS, Shillong.

Yours faithfully


27.03.2015

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DGM (PESM) & CPIO
POWERGRID, Shillong