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To
Shri Vijayakumar,
Pilikkal Palayam,
Paramathy Velur,
Namakkal District,
TamilNadu-637213

Sub: Your registration no.PGCIL/R/2014/60003 -reg

Sir,

The undersigned refer to your request for information under RTI Act 2005 received vide application dated 29.09.2014. Point wise reply to your RTI application is enclosed as Annexure-I.

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within *thirty days* from the date of receipt of this letter.

Shri N.Ravikumar,
Executive Director-SRTS-II,
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited,
Near RTO Driving Test Track,
Singanayakanahalli,
Yelahanka Hobli,
Banglore-560064

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Sunil K Thomas
(Sunil.K.Thomas)
DGM & CPIO

Copy to: Executive Director/SRTS-II-for kind information

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Point wise reply to RTI Query by Sh.Vijayakumar, Paramathi Velur, Namakkal Dist.
(On line RTI Request Registration No.PGCIL/R/2014/60003 dated 29.09.2014)

Query no.1:

What is the nature of the HD tower that is being erected in and around our village. Which is its source and where is its destination.

Reply:

765 kV Double Circuit AC Transmission Line Towers are being erected by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (A Govt of India Enterprise) in and around Pilikkal Palayam, Paramathi Velur, Namakkal District, Tamil Nadu, India-637 213. This transmission line is emanating from 765 kV Tuticorin Pooling Station and terminating at 765 kV Dharmapuri Substation.

Query no.2:

When should the village officials be notified for the erection of power grid tower.

Reply :

The transmission line is laid as per the provisions of Indian Electricity Act, 2003 and Indian Telegraph Act, 1885. The provisions of the Act does not require Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd to inform village officials enroute the line.

Query No.3:

Has this power grid erection been notified to the Public through media (News Paper)

Reply:

As per the Provisions of The Indian Electricity Act 2003 and as per Sections 10 to 19B ,Part III of the Indian Telegraphic Act 1885 and the Authorization granted by the Govt. of India to that effect, it is not necessary for Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd to serve prior intimation and (or) obtain consent from the individual land owners/public as regards to the route of transmission line. Hence issuance of notification to the Public media(News Paper) does not arise.

Query No.4:

What is the time period that a farmer needs to be informed that a power grid tower is going to be erected in his cultivation field.

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Reply:

If there is any likely damage to his/her tree/crop during the installation of transmission line towers, then the farmer in whose land the tower is being located shall be issued a notice prior to commencement of work.

Query no.4: (Query number has been repeated by the requester)

Will there be compensation given for the land where the power grid is erected if so what is the value given for land as per government norms.

Reply:

As per Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 clause 10(b), POWERGRID does not acquire land for construction of transmission line and is only having user rights on the property under, over, along, across, in or upon which the transmission line is established/maintained. As land acquisition is not involved for transmission line construction, land compensation is not paid to land owners. Only compensation towards damages, if any, occurred to land owners during the transmission line construction, as directed /assessed by state/district revenue authorities are paid to the land owners in line with the provisions of the Indian Telegraph Act 1885 clause 10(d).

Query No. 5:

What is the compensation that needs to be given to the farmer based on the crop, coconut tree based on age (0-5, 5-10, 10-15, 15-20, 20-25, 25-30...etc.), Paddy field, sugar cane per acre.

Reply :

Compensation for the damaged crops/trees along the route of the line will be given to the farmers based on the inspection/valuation by the respective Govt of Tamil Nadu Agriculture/ Horticulture/ Forest department officials of concerned districts

Query No. 6:

Can this tower erection be stopped if the villagers do not want this to be coming into the village.

Reply :

The transmission line from Tuticorin Pooling Station to Dharmapuri Sub Station has been aligned along the most techno economically viable route with overall minimum damages enroute. In order to connect the above said Stations , the transmission line alignment has to invariably pass through several villages and once the line route is finalized, the same cannot be deviated based on requests/obstruction from individual villagers.

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