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Ministry of Power  
Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi- 110001

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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: - Constitution of the Committee for finalization of compensation in regard to Right of Way (RoW) for transmission lines in urban areas.

The undersigned is directed to inform that during a review meeting of critical transmission lines, taken by Secretary (Power), Govt. of India on 19.7.2016, it has *inter alia* been decided to constitute a Committee under the chairmanship of Ms. Shalini Prasad, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power to analyse the issues relating to RoW for laying of transmission lines in the urban areas of the country and to suggest a methodology for payment of compensation on this account.

2. Accordingly, a Committee is hereby constituted with the following composition:-

- 1 Ms. Shalini Prasad, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power – Chairperson
- 2 Smt. Jyoti Arora, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power
- 3 Chairperson/ Member (PS), Central Electricity Authority
- 4 Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy), Govt. of Karnataka
- 5 Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy), Govt. of Kerala
- 6 Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy), Govt. of Maharashtra
- 7 Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy), Govt. of UP
- 8 Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy), Govt. of Haryana
- 9 CMD, PGCIL
- 10 Chief Engineer, PSPA-I, CEA – Convener & Member Secretary

3. Committee may invite representatives from various power utilities in its meetings, as and when deemed necessary.

4. Terms of Reference (ToR) of the committee include:

1. To review/ analyse existing procedures for compensation and suggest possible modification to address following issues:
  - a) Possible changes in assessment process;
  - b) Procedure for timely release of compensation payment;
  - c) Measures to stop payment to ineligible persons;
  - d) Possibilities of releasing certain percentage in advance to reduce resistance.
2. To suggest procedure to assess eligibility and subsequent compensation for structure/ hut/ bore well etc. including measure to ensure their shifting/ removal after payment of compensation.

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3. To explore possibility of enlarging scope of survey to include land scheduling for complete RoW width including name of land owners to facilitate payment of diminution of land value compensation to all eligible persons.
  4. To suggest strategy/ mechanism for ensuring compliance/ implementation by State Govt.
  5. To explore possible methodology for direct online payment, say, through Jan Dhan Yojna.
  6. To explore the technological options for reducing the tower footing/ base area/ corridor requirements.
  7. To explore possibility of reduction of transmission corridor width/ selective restricted use of corridor in urban zones by using technical advances/ raising heights of towers/ adequate safety measures/ revisiting clearance requirements especially for 220 kV and 132 kV levels.
5. The Committee shall submit the report within two months.

  
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To,

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