



RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT –2005

MANUAL OF XVII POINTS AS PER SECTION 4 (1) b



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PREFACE

In order to provide greater transparency and accountability in the functioning of “public authorities”, the Government of India has enacted Right to Information Act 2005. The Act entitles the citizens to obtain information pertaining to public authorities, subject to compliance with prescribed procedure. The Act has been notified on June 15, 2005 and as such every “public authority” is required to publish prescribed information. Under Section 4 of the Act, all the public authorities are required to make pro-active disclosure of information.

This act empowers every citizen to seek information and to gain ideas and acquire new knowledge to improve quality of life as well as to participate in the effective governance of public authorities.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 4(1) b of the Act, this information manual is compiled & updated in APTRANSCO website www.aptransco.gov.in for information to the general public.

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1.1 Background

In order to ensure transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities and with a view to confer right on citizens for obtaining certain information pertaining to functioning of public authorities, the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as “RTI” or “Act”) has been enacted by the Government of India. The Act requires the public authorities to disclose/publish certain information. Section. 3 of the Act confers right on citizens to obtain information pertaining to functioning of public authorities and for this every public authority is required to appoint State Public Information Officer(s) or Assistant State Public Information Officer(s), wherever applicable, for processing of information requests from citizens.

1.2 OBJECTIVE OF THIS HANDBOOK

The key objective behind publication of this information manual is to enable the public to understand the services offered by APTRANSCO and its role in the holistic development of the State of Andhra Pradesh. As prescribed under Section 4(1) b of the Act, the APTRANSCO, as being the public authority, hereby publishes the prescribed information pertaining to constitution, functioning of the Department.

The material contained in this manual is meant for information of general public. Apart from these, the citizens are entitled, under the Act, to obtain other information from the Department following the procedure as prescribed in the act.

1.3 TARGETED USERS

This manual is meant for information of citizens, civil society organizations, public representatives, officers and employees of public authorities



PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING INFORMATION

This information manual contains information about organization and functioning of APTRANSCO. Any person desiring, any other information, he/she shall make a request to the SPIO for the information required. For obtaining information of concerned zones the application/request may be made to the PIO of concerned zone. The applicant is required to comply with the following conditions:

- The applicant shall be a citizen of India
- As proof of citizenship, any one of the following documents may be attached to the information request.
 - Ration card
 - PAN card
 - Driving license
 - Electricity bill
 - Passport document
- The information request shall be made in writing duly mentioning the address for communication and contact number if available.
- The information request can be in one of the following two languages:
 - Telugu
 - English
- Applicant shall pay the prescribed fee of Rs.10/- in the form of court fee or by DD/IPO in favour of the Pay officer/APTRANSCO or can be paid in cash during the office working hours. The application made to the PIO's of zones should remit application fee to their concerned PIO&SE/OMC of zones.
- Applicants belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) category need not pay the fee. For claiming exemption from payment of fee under BPL category, the applicant shall attach the following document as proof of his belonging to BPL category.
 - Ration card
- The request for information will be generally processed within the time period mentioned under the RTI Act.



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APTRANSCO is the GoAP-owned transmission utility in the State and is engaged in transmission of power within the State. The Organization is incorporated under Companies Act, 1956. APTRANSCO was notified as State Transmission Utility (STU) under Electricity Act, 2003 and as such is the nodal agency at state level for all transmission related activities. The Organization was engaged in bulk supply business (buying and selling of power) and due to prevailing legal requirements; the same was divested in favour of distribution companies with effect from June 9, 2005.

BACKGROUND

Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (A.P.S.E.B.) was unbundled in the first phase into Generation and Transmission Corporations viz., APGENCO & APTRANSCO w.e.f 1.02.99.

Transmission Corporation of Andhra Pradesh Limited (APTRANSCO) was unbundled into Four Distribution Companies (DISCOMs) viz., APEPDCL, APCPDCL, APSPDCL and APNPDCL w.e.f 1.04.2000 through 2nd transfer scheme.

Trading activities were entrusted to four-distribution companies under 3rd transfer scheme in compliance with Electricity Act 2003 w.e.f. 10-06-2005. As per the 3rd Transfer Scheme notified by the State Government the rights, obligations, agreements and contracts relating to procurement and bulk supply of electricity or trading of electricity, to which APTRANSCO was originally a party were transferred and vested in four distribution companies respectively in specified ratios as per Electricity Act 2003 w.e.f 09-06-2005.

Andhra Pradesh State was bifurcated into two states i.e. Andhra Pradesh & Telangana State w.e.f 2-6-2014. The APTRANSCO was unbundled into APTRANSCO & TSTRANSCO. The two Distribution Companies viz., APEPDCL & APSPDCL comes under APTRANSCO.



FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES

In order to allow smooth transition, institutional arrangements are kept in place as per G.O.Ms. No. 59 dated 07-06-2005 by forming the following committees.

- AP Power Coordination Committee (APPCC)
- AP Power Trading Committee (APPTC)
- AP Balancing & Settlement Committee (APBSC)

APPCC shall guide, direct and approve the activities undertaken by APPTC and APBSC from time to time. APPCC shall direct APTRANSCO and distribution licensees to provide necessary information, requisite support and depute its staff for efficient discharge of its functions. APTRANSCO and distribution licensees shall extend all co-operations to APPCC in the matter.

APPTC shall be responsible in the matters related to power procurement from all generators, scheduling load relief, if any and issues related to SRLDC at the regional level. It shall also be responsible for inter-state sales.

APBSC shall be responsible to review energy accounting and billing for inter utility trading of power and ensure settlement of imbalances amongst distribution licensees in accordance with the directives / principles issued by the APPCC.



FUNCTIONAL CHART

