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सेवा में,

(संलग्न सूची के अनुसार)

विषय: Minutes of meeting taken by Member(PS), CEA on 21.02.2025 regarding the issue of Land for 765 kV Ahmedabad - Navsari Transmission Line under Khavda Phase -II Part C transmission scheme and Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal -Reg.

महोदय,

उपरोक्त मुद्दे पर Member(Power System), CEA द्वारा 21.02.2025 को ली गई बैठक का कार्यवृत्त संलग्न है।

संलग्नक: यथोपरी।

भवदीय,

(राजेश / Rajesh)

उपनिदेशक/ Dy. Director

Addresses:

S. No.	Utility
1.	CMD, PGCIL
2.	Western Railways
3.	M/s Zealand Ports And Terminals Private Limited, 205, Nibr Corporate Park, Cts No 669 670 & 671, Kurla Andheri Road, Safed Pool, Mumbai 400072

Minutes of meeting taken by Member(PS), CEA on 21.02.2025 regarding the issue of Land for 765 kV Ahmedabad - Navsari Transmission Line under Khavda Phase -II Part C transmission scheme and Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal:

A meeting was held on 21.02.2025 through VC under the Chairmanship of Member (PS), CEA regarding the issue of Land for Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal between Panoli & Hathuran Railway Station and 765 kV Ahmedabad - Navsari Transmission Line under Khavda Phase -II Part C transmission scheme.

The list of the participants is enclosed at **Annexure-I**.

Member (PS), CEA welcomed all the participants. The details of the deliberations held in the above meeting is given below as:

1. POWERGRID Presentation:

POWERGRID presented (**Annexure-II**) details regarding the 765 kV Ahmedabad-Navsari D/C Transmission Line, being developed by their wholly-owned subsidiary, POWERGRID Khavda-II-C Transmission Limited. The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission granted the transmission license on July 31, 2023 (Sections 14 and 15 of the Electricity Act, 2003), with a Scheduled Commercial Operation Date (SCOD) of March 21, 2025. Public notification was issued on June 18, 2023 (newspaper) and July 22, 2023 (Weekly Gazette of India). Powers under Section 164 of the Electricity Act, 2003, were conferred on December 11, 2023, which Telegraph authority possesses under the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 with respect to placing of telegraph lines. The transmission line route was uploaded to the PM Gati Shakti portal on December 22, 2023.

The line crosses the Baroda-Surat Railway route (between Panoli and Hathuran stations, Loc 166/0 and 167/0). Western Railways issued the No Objection Certificate (NOC) on July 31, 2024 for crossing the Railway line. A notice and order under Section 16(1) of the Telegraph Act, 1885, were issued by the District Magistrate, Surat, to M/s Zealand Ports and Terminals Private Limited for work on survey numbers 156 and 157 in Hathuran village. Foundation work at Loc 166/0 is complete, and all tower foundations near the railway track are cast. POWERGRID stated that diverting the line at this stage is infeasible and will cause diversion of multiple towers both side of Railway crossing leading to additional right of way issues with the farmers/ land owners. Also, this line is crucial for evacuating power from the 4.5 GW Khavda RE project with scheduled date of commissioning of March 2025.

2. ZEALAND Presentation:

M/s ZEALAND informed that 45 acres of land (survey numbers 156 and 157) were secured in January and February 2024 for the Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal, with an additional 55 acres planned. Construction has not yet commenced. ZEALAND emphasized the need to maintain the minimum required distance between railway tracks within the cargo terminal, as per railway regulations.

3. Western Railways Input:

The Western Railways representative confirmed the NOC issued to POWERGRID and stated they have no objections to the railway crossing.

4. Conclusion and Action Items:

Member (PS), CEA stated that both the transmission line and the Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal are projects of National importance. Given the advanced stage of the transmission line project, including the powers conferred under Section 164 of the Electricity Act, 2003, and the fact that construction is underway, while the cargo terminal project construction is yet to begin, the CEA suggested that M/s ZEALAND explore shifting the cargo terminal location to avoid delay in both the projects.

POWERGRID and M/s ZEALAND were requested to collaboratively find an amicable solution in consultation with Indian Railways that allows both projects to be completed within their respective timelines. If a mutually agreeable solution cannot be reached, M/s ZEALAND was advised to seek resolution through the appropriate legal channels.

Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

Annexure-I**List of Participants****CEA**

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| 1. Shri AK Rajput | Member (PS) – In chair |
| 2. Shri Y.K. Swarnkar | Chief Engineer (PSPM) |
| 3. Shri SM Aimol | Director (PSPM) |
| 4. Shri Rajesh | Dy. Director (PSPM) |

Western Railways

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| Shri. Pradeep Meena | Sr. DEE(P), Vadodara |
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| 1. Sh Akhilesh Pathak | ED(PMD) |
| 2. Sh R K Gupta | CGM, WR-II |
| 3. Sh M K Singh | DGM (PMD), CC |
| 4. Sh Brijesh Kumar Verma | CM, WR-II |

M/s ZEALAND

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| 1. Sh OM Haveliwala | Rail Vertical Head |
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