

F.No. 11013/02/2025/D(Lands)
Government of India
Ministry of Defence

Sena Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 2nd July, 2025

To,

The Chief of Naval Staff, New Delhi
The Chief of Army Staff, New Delhi
The Chief of Air Staff, New Delhi
The Director General of Defence Estates, New Delhi

Subject: Transfer of Defence land for public utilities and public infrastructure projects – Guidelines for payment of compensation with regard to Right of Way (RoW) for transmission lines – reg.

Reference is made to MoD letter No. 11015/2/2012/D(Lands) dated 02.02.2016, as amended from time to time, regarding transfer of defence land for public utilities and public infrastructure projects.

2. It has been decided with the approval of the Competent Authority that the guidelines circulated vide Ministry of Power (MoP) policy letter bearing F.No. 3/4/2016-Trans-Part (4) dated 14.06.2024, as amended from time to time, will be adopted for determination of compensation, which *inter-alia* includes tower Base Compensation and RoW Corridor Compensation, in all cases involving grant of working permission to Indenting Authorities (IAs) for transfer / use of defence land as RoW for transmission lines.

3. In addition to the provisions for compensation, which *inter-alia* includes tower Base Compensation and RoW Corridor Compensation, contained in Ministry of Power policy letter No. 3/4/2016-Trans-Part (4) dated 14.06.2024, following guidelines may be issued for processing such cases on defence land:-

- (i) **Mode to transfer** : The mode of transfer of Defence land will be on "license basis" for the Tower Base as well as RoW corridor.
- (ii) **Tenure of license**: Initially license will be granted for "10 years" which may be renewed 10 years at a time at the option of the IA till the IA requires the land for the said purpose. License fee will be Re. 1/- for 10 years, irrespective of the area involved in the proposal.

However, compensation will be calculated as per Ministry of Power guidelines as referred in para 2 above.

4. The said guidelines will not be applicable retrospectively in respect of such cases where working permission have already been issued by MoD.
5. The RoW proposals for transmission lines not covered under the Ministry of Power guidelines mentioned above shall continue to be processed as per provisions contained in MoD policy letter of 02.02.2016, duly amended from time to time.
6. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance) vide Dy. No. 104/Fin(W-I) dated 14.05.2025 of RF No. 21(4)/2013-Fin (Works-I).

Yours faithfully,


2/7/2025

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