

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

RE-STRUCTURED ACCELERATED POWER DEVELOPMENT REFORMS PROGRAMME (R-APDRP)

PROJECT DETAILS:

Objectives	:	To establish reliable and automated systems for sustained collection of accurate base line data and adoption of Information Technology in the areas of energy accounting.
Approved area for implementation of R-APDRP scheme	:	Areas classified as Urban in the Census of 2001 in: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Puducherry, Oulgaret, Villianur and Arianakupam Municipalities in Puducherry region,• Karaikal Municipality in Karaikal region,• Entire Mahe and Yanam regions.
Project Status	:	Ongoing.
Project Cost	:	Rs.15.01 Crores (Loan from GoI through PFC to be converted into grant on successful completion)
Date of commencement	:	31/03/2012
Probable date of completion	:	31/03/2018 (Target as fixed by Ministry of Power, GoI)
GoI Loan availed so far	:	Rs.4.50 Crores; Expenditure incurred : Rs.3.38 Crores;
Implementing Agency	:	M/s ITI Limited, Chennai in consortium with M/s Navayuga Infotech, Hyderabad.
Status of the project	:	The ITIA has not installed the File servers in the Data Centre (DC), Disaster Recovery centre (DRC) and Customer care under the pretext of delay in according permission by TANGEDCO due to legal proceeding between the ITIA and TANGEDCO and arbitration matter is still pending before the Hon'ble High Court, Chennai.

PRESENT STATUS:

- As per the approved Detailed project report (DPR), this Department has sought permission from TANGEDCO for installation of File servers and for establishment of communication networks at the Data Centre (DC) and the Disaster Recovery Centre (DRC). In response to this, the Chairman, TANGEDCO has informed that the ITIA, M/s ITI Limited in consortium with M/s Navayuga Infotech has filed a writ petition No 8712/2017 in the Hon'ble High Court at Chennai and hence the ITIA has been refrained from carrying out further activities in the project of TANGEDCO till the settlement of issues.
- In order to avoid the delay, the Electricity Department, Puducherry had proposed to host the data and all the other software pertaining to the MBC and allied activities including the data security and other features in the **State Data Centre** available in Puducherry which requires provision / modification of additional servers and networks. Accordingly, the department had instructed the ITIA to furnish the detailed specification of the hardware and software licenses required for implementing the Part A (IT) of R-APDRP scheme in the State Data Centre, Government of Puducherry. Even after several rounds of discussions with the Officials of the State Data Centre, the detailed specifications have still not been furnished by the ITIA till date. The ITIA was also instructed to complete all the allied activities such as software customization

and other works except the installation of file servers at the DC and DRC. There has been no response from the ITIA in this regard till date.

- Immediately, the consortium partner of the ITIA, M/s Navayuga Infotech Pvt Ltd., has now filed a petition, vide OA No 875/2017, under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 in the Hon'ble High Court at Chennai and sought interim injunction restraining the bank for paying money against the Bank Guarantee furnished by the ITIA to the Electricity Department, Puducherry.
- The Department had filed a Counter Affidavit in response to the petition, OA No 875/2017, filed by M/s Navayuga Infotech Pvt Ltd., before the Hon'ble High Court, Chennai.
- In the meanwhile, the firm M/s Navayuga Infotech Pvt. Ltd. has informed that they are initiating dispute resolution proceedings and has requested a suitable date and time to negotiate an amicable solution. In view of the matter, sub-judice in O.A. No. 875/2017, the Department is unable to concur to the proposed dispute resolution of M/s. Navayuga Computers Pvt. Ltd., as it appears to be arbitrary and misleading and aimed at prolonging the implementation of the project.
- Based on the DO letter of the Secretary to Government (Power), M/s ITI Limited has approached the Department with an alternate proposal for hosting the core applications / modules under Part A (IT) of R-APDRP scheme in the State Data Centre, Puducherry at a total cost of Rs 20.00 Crores along with GST as applicable, which includes FMS for five years.
- Based on the budgetary proposal received from M/s ITI Limited, Chennai, the Department has sent a letter to M/s Power Finance Corporation (PFC), New Delhi, requesting the Ministry of Power, Government of India to provide necessary additional funds to complete the project and to extend the due date of completion of the project till 31/03/2019.
- Presently, the project implementation works had been completely stopped by the ITIA.