

11<sup>th</sup> May 2011

To,

Public Information Officer,  
Prime Minister Office,  
7, Race Course road,  
New Delhi- 110003

Sir,

**Subject: Request for Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.**

I, Ms. Talish Ray, Software Freedom Law Center, K-9, Seond Floor, Birbal Road, Jangpura Extension, New Delhi-110014, wish to seek following information related to the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID) project. Software Freedom law Centre ( SFLC) is a Non Profit Organization that provides legal representation and other law -related services to protect the digital civil liberties of citizens. Hence we have an interest in ensuring that any restrictions on the digital freedom and the privacy of citizens are introduced only after a due process of law. The information sought below for is in larger interest of the state and its citizens.

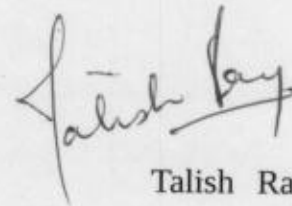
1. What is the legal framework under which the NATGRID is functioning. Is NATGRID duly contituted as an 'Authority' under the Government of India, if so, under which provision of law has NATGRID been constituted. Please provide a copy of the same.
2. Has the approval of the Cabinet Committee on Security been granted? If yes , Kindly provide a copy of the same.
3. What is the designation of the Officer Incharge of the NATGRID Project and who does the said Officer Incharge report to?
4. What is the budgetary allocations for the NATGRID project.
5. What government and private databases will be linked to the NATGRID. If so under what order or rules. Please provide a copy of the same.
6. What are the measures in place to prevent the misuse of NATGRID? If yes, please provide a photocopy of these guidelines/circulars.

7. What are the various Governmental agencies that will have an access to NATGRID?
8. Does this project have any policy favouring Free and Open Source Software(FOSS)?

If yes, have any guidelines/circulars been issued in this regard? If yes, please provide a photocopy of these guidelines/circulars.

If the information sought for is held by another public authority I request you to transfer the application to such authority within a period of five days as per S.6(3) of the Right to information Act, 2005 and to inform me of the same.

I am a 'Citizen' of India and I am asking the information as 'Citizen'. I am enclosing a Postal Order for Rs.10/- dated favouring Accounts Officer, PIO, Prime Minister Office towards the requisite fee. I am ready to pay any expenses related to making photocopies of documents on intimation of the same.



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