

Bullet train: NHRCL inks ₹232cr pact with Power Grid

25 Transmission Lines To Be Shifted In Guj, Maharashtra

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Vadodara: The National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHRCL) which is implementing the Ahmedabad-Vadodara bullet train project has entered into an agreement with the Central transmission utility – the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) – to shift 25 transmission lines in Gujarat, neighbouring Maharashtra and union territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

The transmission lines of 220 kV and 400 kV are required to be shifted as they fall in the 508-km alignment of the proposed national high speed corridor that passes through eight districts of Gujarat and three of Maharashtra.

The estimated cost of



NHRCL and Power Grid Corporation of India Limited's officials signing agreement in the city

shifting the transmission lines comes to Rs 232 crore.

Of the 25 transmission lines that need to be shifted, 18 fall in Gujarat and union territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli while the rest seven fall in Maharashtra.

Most of these transmission lines fall in the districts of Valsad, Navsari, Surat, Anand and Ahmedabad in Gujarat and Palghar in Maharashtra.

The MoU for executing the project was signed between PGCIL executive director (WR-II) D K Singh

and NHRCL's chief project manager Pradeep Ahirkar in presence of senior officials from both NHRCL and PGCIL.

As per the terms of MoU, the project has to be executed by January 2020 even as tenders for executing the work are under finalisation, sources said.

The payment for shifting transmission lines will be done in stages including the phase when the tenders will be awarded and the final completion stages.

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