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> **RTI Matter** By Registered Post

Q/Vig/551/53/2014

02.01.2015

To. Shri O.P. Bhola, F-120, Vikas Puri New Delhi-110018.

Sir.

Reference your letter dated 22.12.2014 wherein you have requested for the response of your RTI application dated 08.09.2014

- 3. It is informed that reply dated 14.10.2014 in response to your RTI application was sent by the then CPIO by registered post to your address. (Copy enclosed for ready reference).
- If you are aggrieved with this reply, you may file an appeal to Shri Arun Kumar Chatterjee, Joint Secretary (CNV) & Chief Vigilance Officer & Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi, within a month from the date of receipt of this communication.

Yours faithfully,

(Shivaji Sen) Under Secretary(Vigilance) CPIO for Vigilance Unit

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To,

Shri O.P. Bhola, F-120, Vikas Puri New Delhi-110018.

Sir,

Reference your RTI Application (bearing registration No. MOEAF/R/2014/00201) dated 18.09.2014.

2. With reference to point 1 to 6 of your letter. The following information is hereby provided.

Point 1: No particular information is sought by the applicant.

Point 2: Information does not pertains to this CPIO.

Point 3: Information does not pertains to this CPIO.

Point 4: Copy of story with JS(CNV)'s remarks dated 23.04.2010 does

not exists.

Point 5: No information available with the undersigned CPIO.

Point 6: No.

3. If you are aggrieved with this reply, you may file an appeal to Shri Arun Kumar Chatterjee, Joint Secretary (CNV) & Chief Vigilance Officer & Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi, within a month from the date of receipt of this communication.

Yours faithfully,

(S.K. Menon)

Deputy Secretary(Vigilance & I) & CPIO for Vigilance Unit

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Copy to :- (i) Under Secretary (RTI), RTI Cell, MEA, w.r.t RTI application of registration No. MOEAF/R/2014/00201 dated 18.09.2014.

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Dated: 22 December 2014

The Central Public Information Officer(CPIO)
(Attention: DS(Vigilance) & CPIO for Vigilance Section)
Ministry of External Affairs
Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan
52-D, Janpath
New Delhi-110001

SUBJECT:

INFORMATION SOUGHT UNDER THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

Sir,

Please refer to my RTI Application dated 8 September 2014(copy enclosed for ready reference) seeking information under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

I am constrained to inform you that although more than three months have passed by, the information sought by me has not yet been provided to me.

I would therefore be grateful if the information sought by me may kindly be provided to me without any further delay.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

(O.P. Bhola) F-120, Vikaspuri,

New Delhi-110018

Dated: 8 September 2014

The Central Public Information Officer(CPIO)
(Attention: DS(Vigilance) & CPIO for Vigilance Section)
Ministry of External Affairs
Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan
52-D, Janpath
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## PART I:

1. Name of Applicant

: O.P. Bhola

2. Address

: F-120, Vikaspuri, New Delhi-110018

3. Whether citizen of India: Yes

## PART II:

Specify the particulars of the information sought for:

- 1. With reference to the enclosed photocopy of an article titled 'MISSION MISCONDUCT' published in the INDIA TODAY issue dated the 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2007, and the then JS(CNV)'s remarks thereon: "Pl keep in O.P. Bhola's file", the following information may kindly be provided:-
- 2. Whether the information on the basis of which the above story was written and published in INDIA TODAY, was Confidential and privileged in nature known only to those officers in the Ministry who were supposed to know the information, and, if so, information may kindly be provided with regard to the officer/s who provided the Confidential information to Mr. Saurabh Shukla, the Correspondent of the newsmagazine INDIA TODAY.
- 3. Whether the then Deputy Secretary(FSP and Cadre) had, in his/her letter dated the 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2004 addressed to Shri Mahaveer Singhvi, as reported in Para 13 of the High Court of Delhi Judgement dated 4.7.2008, in Criminal Case No.4870-72 of 2006(extracts enclosed), inter alia, mentioned that "The Ministry of External Affairs does not share any information with the Media about any official action initiated or contemplated against its officers....", and if so, a copy of this letter may kindly be provided.
- 4. Whether, in the light of the above-mentioned letter of DS(FSP and Cadre) dated 12.1.2004, conveying MEA's policy that it did not share any information with the Media about any official action initiated or contemplated against its officers, the Vigilance Unit, to whom the advance copy of the story with JS(CNV)'s remarks dated

23.4.2010 was passed on, took action to restrain the dissemination of information relating to initiation or contemplation of any disciplinary action against me and, if so, information relating to such action may kindly be provided, including copies of correspondence and file notings.

- 5. Whether, in the light of the above-mentioned letter of DS(FSP and Cadre) dated 12.1.2004, conveying MEA's policy that it did not share any information with the Media about any official action initiated or contemplated against its officers, and the publication in the 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2007 issue of INDIA TODAY, an inquiry about the leakage of information to the Media was taken and if so a copy of the inquiry report as well as action taken against the officers responsible or the information leak along with relevant correspondence and file notings may kindly be provided.
- 6. Whether similar cognizance was taken by the JS(CNV) with regard to the other three cases/individuals mentioned in the story, viz. (i) "Last month a senior Indian diplomat was recalled for speaking out of turn on the Shilpa Shetty affairs, (ii) "The Ministry has also been forced to give marching orders to a visa staffer in its high commission in London", and (iii)"to a visa consul in Birmingham", and, if so, details relating to all the cases may kindly be provided.

Place: New Delhi

( Signature of the Applicant )