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Subject: Information sought by Shri Siddharth Goel under Right to Information Act 2005

Sir,

Reference your Application No. MOEAF/R/2015/80624/1 dated 22/12/2015, received on 4/1/2016, seeking information under Right to Information Act 2005.

2. The applicant has sought the following information:

What all gifts have been received by different Prime Minister of India, including present Prime Minister by foreign visiting Prime Ministers or Presidents and where can have a look to all those gifts or tell the place where all these gifts have gone or is there any museum for these and what all varieties of gifts have been given by our Prime Ministers to their foreign counterpart during foreign visits.

3. The following is the response of the CPIO:

(i) The information sought by the applicant is related to the gifts received by different Prime Minister of India, including present Prime Minister by foreign visiting Prime Ministers or Presidents and where can have a look to all those gifts or tell the place where all these gifts have gone or is there any museum for these. The undersigned is not the custodian of this information. Since this part of the information is being dealt with by Toshakhana Section of the Ministry, this part is being transferred to US (Toshakhana), MEA, CPIO, Room No. 4048, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, 23 D, Janpath, New Delhi-110011 (usoda@mea.gov.in) for a response to the applicant.

(ii) The information sought by the applicant is related to the all varieties of gifts have been given by our Prime Ministers to their foreign counterpart during foreign visits. In this connection, this is to state that the Prime Minister of India presents gifts, as per the laid down norms, to various foreign dignitaries. Information sought by you relates to, among other things, the type/cost of the gifts presented during the period

mentioned above. It is true that the procurement of gifts is being met from budgetary grants but the revelation of the information sought would have unintended effects on the foreign relations and that any critical analysis/scrutiny and comparison between quantum and value of the gifts would be totally undesirable and would defeat the very purpose of generating goodwill between the nations. However, disclosure of this information may prejudicially affect India's relations with the concerned foreign State. Exemption is therefore, sought under section 8(1) (a) of the RTI act 2005, wherein no such information as may prejudicially affect India's relations with a foreign State need be disclosed.

4. In case the applicant is not satisfied with the response given by the undersigned, the applicant may file an appeal within 30 days of the receipt of this communication to Shri Sanjay Verma, Chief of Protocol and First Appellate Authority, Room No. 2001, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, Ministry of External Affairs, 23D, Janpath, New Delhi-110011.

Yours sincerely,

(Madan Singh Bhandari)

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Copy to:

1. Chief of Protocol, MEA (jscop@mea.gov.in) – for kind information.
2. US (RTI), MEA (usrti@mea.gov.in)
3. US (Toshakhana), MEA (dsprop2@mea.gov.in) - with a request to provide the relevant information to the applicant.
4. PO (XMM), MEA, New Delhi (poxmm@meaindia.in).

RTI REQUEST DETAILS

Registration No. : MOEAF/R/2015/80624/1 **Date of Receipt :** 22/12/2015

Transferred From : Prime Minister's Office on 29/12/2015 With Reference Number : MOEAF/R/2015/80624

Remarks : Transferred for appropriate action.

Type of Receipt : Electronically Transferred from Other Public Authority **Language of Request :** English

Name : SIDDHARTH GOEL **Gender :** Male

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Status(Rural/Urban) : Urban **Education Status :** Above Graduate

Letter No. : Details not provided **Letter Date :** Details not provided

Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? : No **Citizenship Status :** Indian

Amount Paid : 0 (Received by Prime Minister's Office) **Mode of Payment :** Payment Gateway

Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? : No(Normal) **Request Pertains to :** DCP (Privilege)

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