



RTI matter/ Time Bound

Government of India  
Ministry of External Affairs  
New Delhi

No. E/551/1/2020-RTI

23 November 2020

To:



Subject: Information sought under Right to Information Act, 2005

Sir,

Please refer to your First Appeal application bearing Registration No. MOEAF/A/P/20/00009 addressed to Ministry to RTI cell, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

2. In this regard, please note that your RTI application dated 08 June 2020 was received by the undersigned CPIO on 18 September 2020. A copy of RTI application received is attached for your reference.
3. Further, the undersigned CPIO responded on 13 October 2020 which was within the stipulated time for answering RTI questions. While you have appealed on the lack of response from the undersigned CPIO, it may be noted that the above facts and attached documents attest that your RTI application was appropriately answered within the mandated time frame. The undersigned CPIO has nothing further to add in this regard.
4. A copy of this application is also being endorsed to Shri Satish K. Sivan, Director (East Asia) & First Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs, for information.

Yours faithfully,

(Karthik G. Iyer)

DS (China) & CPIO

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CC to:



1. Shri Satish K. Sivan, Director (East Asia) & First Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs,  
South Block, New Delhi -110001

## FIRST APPEAL DETAILS(प्रथम अपील विवरण)

Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) : MOEAF/A/P/20/00009

Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) : 26/09/2020

Type of Receipt (रसीद का प्रकार) : Local Receipt

Language of Request (अनुरोध की भाषा) : English

Letter No.(पत्र सं) : Details not provided

Letter Date(पत्र दिनांक): Details not provided

Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? No  
(क्या आवेदक गरीबी रेखा से नीचे का है?) :

Does It Concern Life or Liberty of a person No(Normal) :

RTI Request Registration No(सूचना का अधिकार अनुरोध पंजीकरण सं.) : Details not provided

RTI Request Registration Date(सूचना का अधिकार अनुरोध पत्र दिनांक) : Details not provided

CPIO's Order/Decision No. NIL  
(सीपीआईओ का आदेश / निर्णय संख्या) :

Date of Receipt of CPIO's Order/Decision(सीपीआईओ के आदेश / निर्णय के रसीद की तारीख) : 01/01/1970

Ground for Appeal(अपील का आधार) : Any Other ground

Reason for delay(if any) in filing this appeal(इस अपील को दायर करने में विलंब, यदि कोई हो, का कारण) : N/A

Prayer or Relief Sought(प्रार्थना या अनुरोध की गई रहत) : For appropriate action.

## ACTION HISTORY OF RTI FIRST APPEAL No. : MOEAF/A/P/20/00009

Applicant Name (आवेदक का नाम)

Text of Appeal (अपील का पाठ) : For appropriate action.

Reply of Appeal (अपील का उत्तर)

SNo. (क्रमांक)	Action Taken (कार्रवाई की गई)	Date of Action (कार्रवाई की तारीख)	Action Taken By(कार्रवाई के द्वारा लिया)	Remarks(टिप्पणी)
1	FIRST APPEAL RECEIVED	26/09/2020		

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Before the First Appellate Authority for RTI Affairs  
Ministry of External Affairs  
South Block  
New Delhi

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First Appeal under Section 19 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005



Sl. No. 9995  
By ..... RTI Cell / S  
Date: 16-07-2020

.....Appellant

V/S

The CPIO  
Ministry of External Affairs  
South Block  
New Delhi.

.....Respondent

Respected Sir,

It is respectfully submitted as following please:-

Brief Facts

- 1- That the above named Appellant had submitted an RTI Application dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 through Regd. Post ( copy annexed herein as Annexure-1) under Section 6 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the CPIO of the Respondent Four Points Information, the four points under reference being as under:-
  - 1- Please inform as to whether Government of India "recognizes and/or acknowledges", as the case may be the Tibet as an "Independent/Separate Country or State", as the case may be, and not a territory or part or an administrative unit of , as the case may be, of People's Republic of China.
  - 2- If the information as above is in affirmative then please inform the "Present Seat of the Government of Tibet".
  - 3- If the information as above is in affirmative then please inform who is the "Head of the State" of the Govt. of the Tibet alongwith his/her "Officially recognized Designation"?
  - 4- If the information as above is in affirmative then please inform who is the "Head of

- 2- That That the mandatory period of 30 days within which the information should have been provided to the Appellant has expired on 8.7.2020 and a further period of Nineteen days has also elapsed but neither any information nor any reply whatsoever has come to the Appellant till date, the only inference which can be drawn is that the Respondent is deemed to have refused to provided the information.

#### Grounds of Appeal

- 1- That the mandatory period of 30 days within which the information should have been provided to the Appellant has expired on 8.7.2020 and a further period of Nineteen days has also elapsed but neither any information nor any reply whatsoever has come to the Appellant till date, the only inference which can be drawn is that the Respondent is deemed to have refused to provided the information.
- 2- That being a Govt. employee himself and also the odd circumstances created by the present Covid 19 Pandemic the Appellant is sensitized of the hard-pressed conditions of working of Govt. Offices and also of expected delay in replying the RTI Applications but the way of working of Respondent is not desirable as at least some sort of interim reply should/could have been given citing reasons of delay in providing the substantive information and even this least has not been done by the Respondent.
- 3- That at the cost of repetition it is again submitted that the only inference that comes out is that the Respondent is deemed to have refused to provide the information without citing any reason whatsoever.
- 4- That the present Appeal is within stipulated period of Thirty Days.

#### Prayer

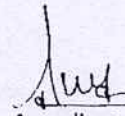
In view of the hereinabove mentioned Grounds/Submissions it is kindly prayed as under:-

- i)- That the CPIO concerned may be directed to provide the sought for information to the Appellant immediately and free of cost.
- ii)- That if the prayer as above is not acceptable to this Worthy Authority and the present Appeal is contemplated to be rejected then a chance of hearing, via Audio/Video Conferencing over his Mobile Phone(s) and joining the CPIO concerned thereto also, may kindly be given to him before

iii)- That if this Worthy Authority is not inclined for any of the two options as cited in ii)- above, the Appeal of the Appellant may be rejected on merit besides citing the reason specifically that as to why the Appellant cannot be heard even as his Appeal is contemplated to be rejected.

Place:- Chandigarh

Date:- 27th July 2020

  
Appellant 27.7.2020

Annexure - 1

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Application under Section 6 (1) of RTI Act, 2005 for Obtaining Information.

To

The Central Public Information Officer,  
Ministry of External Affairs  
South Block  
New Delhi

- (1) Full Name of the Applicant: -
- (2) Address :-



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App. Fee ₹ 10

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External Affairs -

किस डाकघर में N. Delhi  
At what Office

क्या इसे क्रॉस किया है Yes  
Whether crossed

भेजने की तारीख 8.6.2022  
Date sent

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(3) Particulars of Information required:-

- i)- Subject Matter of Information:-
- ii)- The period to which Information relates:-
- iii)- Description of the Information required:-
- iv)- Mode of information as required :-

As mentioned in Accompanying  
Annexure "A".

By Regd. Post /Via E-mail  
(at the discretion of CPIO, but  
not by Ordinary Post pls).

It is, hereby, undertaken that I am a citizen of India and that the information sought for, to the best of my knowledge, does not fall within the prohibitive ambit of Section -8- of the Act and the same is related to the larger Public Interest.

IPO No. 687738

The requisite Application Fee amounting to Rs. 10/- is annexed herein in the shape of a crossed IPO the Payee column of which has been left blank for want of knowledge of accounting dispensation of your good office, that may please be filled in at your end. If more amount as documentation fee is required it may please be informed to me and the same shall be deposited, as per Rules, when informed.

Place: - Chandigarh.

Date: 8th June 2022



Signature of the Applicant  
8.6.2022

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Annexure-A

Detail of Column No. 3 of the Application

Public Authority concerned:- Ministry of External Affairs

- iii. Subject Matter of Information- Information regarding status of "Tibet".
- iv. The Period to which Information relates- Since 26.1.1950
- iii. Description of Information Required:- As below please:-
  - i. Please inform as to whether Government of India "recognizes and/or acknowledges", as the case may be the Tibet as an "Independent/Separate Country or State", as the case may be, and not a territory or part or an administrative unit of, as the case may be, of People's Republic of China.
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8.6.2020  
(Applicant)  
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27/2/20