

Ministry of External Affairs  
Northern Division  
(Nepal)

No. E-II/551/3/2005

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**Sub: Information sought by Shri Ankit Agrawal under RTI Act, 2005**

Dear Sir,

Please refer to your application dated 03.09.2014, which was received by Northern Division, Ministry of External Affairs on 10.09.2014, regarding visit of Hon'ble Prime Minister to Nepal and supply of sandalwood to Govt. of Nepal.

As far as Northern Division, Nepal section is concerned point wise reply of your RTI application is as under:

1. Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi visited Pashupatinath Temple, Kathmandu on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2014. Further information, if required may be sought from the Prime Minister Office. Shri Syed Ekram Rizwi, Central Public Information Officer, Deputy Secretary, Prime Minister's Office, South Block, New Delhi – 110011, Telephone: 011-23074072(O), Fax No: 011-23388157, E-mail id for CPIO, PMO: rti-pmo.applications[at]govt[dot]in.
2. As per the information available with this Division 2500 kgs of sandalwood was gifted by Government of India to Pashupatinath Area Development Trust. Details of receipts, tenders payments etc may be obtained from Embassy of India, Kathmandu. The contact details of concerned person are as follows Sh. Abhay Kumar, Principal Information Officer, Phone no. 00977-1-4413174, email: cpic@eoiktm.org.
3. Information is not available with Northern Division, MEA. Information may be sought from the supplier whose details may be available in the bills/ receipts to be sent to the applicant by Embassy of India, Kathmandu.
4. Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, visited Pashupatinath Temple, Kathmandu and gifted 2500 kgs of sandalwood on behalf of Govt. of India to the Pashupatinath Area Development Trust from the budget of the Ministry of External Affairs.
5. Govt of India gifted 2500 kgs of sandalwood to Pashupatinath Area Development Trust from Ministry of External Affairs budget. Govt of India has agreed to assist the restoration of the Pashupatinath temple complex, through the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) over a period of several years. The actual cost of this restoration is yet to be finalised.

