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**File No. MoES/29/115/2012-RTI
Ministry of Earth Sciences
Government of India**

**Prithvi Bhawan, IMD Campus,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
Dated – 6th February, 2013.**

To,

Shri Dev Kumar Mondal
C/o Ranjan Kumar Mondal
Village & Post Radhanagar,
P.S. Namkhana, Distt. South 24 Parganas,
West Bengal.

Subject:-Information sought by Shri Dev Kumar Mondal C/o Ranjan Kumar Mondal Village & Post Radhanagar, P.S. Namkhana, Distt. South 24 Parganas, West Bengal under under RTI Act 2005.

Sir,

Kindly refer to your appeal dated 22/01/2013 (received in this Ministry on 28/1/2013) on the above mentioned subject.

2. The reply provide by the concerned officers vide letters No. MoES/S-DS/062077-PC-IV dated 31/1/2013 and covering letter No. nil dated 1/2/2013 of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, New Delhi is enclosed for your information.

3. In case you are not satisfied, you may file an appeal within 30 days to the date of receipt of this letter to the appellate authority i.e. Shri Rishi Kumar, Deputy Secretary (ICC), Ministry of Earth Sciences, Prithvi Bhawan, IMD Campus, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

Encl:-As above.

Yours faithfully

(B.K.Thakur)
CPIO & Sc 'B'
Tel. No. 01124669535

Copy for information to:-

1. Deputy Secretary (ICC), MoES, New Delhi.
2. Dr. M. Sudhakar, Transparency Officer, MoES, New Delhi.
3. PPS to Secretary / JS, MoES, New Delhi.
4. In charge IT (Shri Krishnan) to upload the reply on web.

Ministry of Earth Sciences

Reference OM No. MoES/29/86/2012-RTI dated 29 January 2013 received from CPIO & Sct. 'B' Shri B.K Thakur regarding application dated 16.10.2012 from Shri Deb Kumar Mondal to seek information under RTI Act 2005.

In this context, it is stated that we have already written a letter to Prof. Jharna Ray and the concerned Institutes for providing requisite information on the queries raised by Shri. Mondal. As and when the reply will be received the requisite information will be provided to the applicant.

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Director (N.K)

Letters to all concerned are issued.

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No. MOES/S-DC/06/2007-PC-IV

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New Delhi-110003 31.1.13

To
Registrar
Kolkata University
College Street, Kolkata-

Sub : Non-receipt of mandatory inputs under Right to Information Act, 2005 – Matter related to the project titled ' Chemical & Pharmacological Investigation of Indian Marine Poisonous Fishes, PI Prof. Jharna Ray' under " DRUGS FROM SEA PROGRAMME" of Ministry of Earth Sciences, Govt. of India, New Delhi project undertaken by S.N.Pradhan College Centre for Neurosciences, Ballygunj Circular Road, Kolkata.

Sir,

Shri D.K.Mondal, an RTI applicant has constantly been asking questions pertaining to Prof. Jharna Ray's background and professional capability with regard to the research of above mentioned project and being handled by Prof. Ray which is being sponsored by MoES.

On receipt of such queries from Shri Mondal under RTI Act, 2005 this Ministry has issued request letter to Prof. Ray, some 4 months back seeking inputs/clarifications from her on various questions raised under RTI Act, 2005.

It has been noticed that on matters relating to RTI, Prof. Ray appears to be non-responsive, non-cooperative and non-committed. She has not been replying to any of our correspondence made with her on this matter. Since the matter pertains to RTI, it is mandatory on the part of Prof. Ray to provide detailed inputs along with authenticated relevant documents for which RTI questions are raised.

When the matter reached to an appellate stage and on receiving such a strange behavior and response from Prof. Ray, one official from MoES was specially sent to Kolkata to contact her in person on 03.01.2013 and impress upon her the gravity of the situation. The official also requested her to give inputs on the RTI application without wasting any further

time. Unfortunately, inspite of a written note/request handed over to her, she has not replied back even after almost one month.

Now, Shri Mondal has approached the FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY for not receiving of required reply under RTI Act, 2005. The next date of Hearing on the matter is fixed for 11th

February, 2013 and by this time the required information must reach to this Ministry, failing which the matter may even reach to CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION.

You are, therefore, requested to advise and instruct Prof. Ray, to comply with the required replies asked for by Shri Mondal through this Ministry under RTI Act, 2005, there does exist a provision that the person to whom the inputs are sought, may be asked to appear before CIC in case of default. Even a penalty of upto Rs.25,000/- could also be levied on the non-responsive person if CIC views the matter seriously.

An early action in this matter will be highly appreciated and this Ministry expects her reply **LATESE BY 3RD OF FEBRUARY, 2013.**

Encl :

Yours sincerely,

N. Khare
(Dr. N. Khare) 31.1.13

Scientist 'F'/Director

- Copy to : 1) Vice Chancellor, Kolkata University, Kolkata
2) Prof. Jharna Ray, SNP Centre for Neuro Sciences, Kolkata University,
Ballygunj Circular Road, Kolkata,
3) CPIO, MoES, Prithvi Bhavan, New Delhi-3