

File No.MoES/29/26/2013-RTI
Government of India
Ministry of Earth Sciences

Prithvi Bhawan, IMD Campus,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi
Dated – 18/03/2013.

Office Memorandum

Subject:-Information sought by Smt. CA Kameshwary, SA, Central Observatory, MET.
Centre, Palace Road, Bengaluru-560001 under RTI Act 2005.

The RTI application dated 8.03.2013 (received in this Ministry on 18/3/2013) on the above mentioned subject is being transferred under section 6(3) of RTI Act., to CPIO, IMD, New Delhi. The applicant has furnished RTI fees Rs. 20/- in way of IPO No. 14F 764702 & 764703 in favour of DDO, MOES.

2. It is requested that the required information may please be provided to the applicant directly under the intimation to this Ministry.

3 In this regard Section 5(5) of Chapter II of RTI Act, 2005 may please be seen whereby it has been mentioned that 'Any officer' whose assistance has been sought under sub-section (4), shall render all assistance to the Central Public Information seeking his or her assistance and for the purpose of any contravention of the provision of this act, such other officer shall be treated as a Central Public Information Officer'.

Encl:-As above.

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

To,

1. C.P.I.O.,IMD, Mausam Bhawan, New Delhi.

Copy for information to:-

1. D.S., (ICC), MoES, New Delhi.
2. Dr. M. Sudhakar, Transparency Officer, MoES, New Delhi.
3. PPS to JS, MoES, New Delhi.
4. In charge I.T Section (Sh. Krishnan to upload question on the MoES Web)
5. Smt. CA Kameshwary, SA, Central Observatory, MET. Centre, Palace Road, Bengaluru-560001

BY SPEED POST

From:-

Smt. CA Kameshwary, SA
Central Observatory,
MET. Centre, Palace Road
BENGALURU – 560 001.

Dated, the 08th March, 2013

To

Central Public Information Officer,
Ministry of Earth Sciences,
Mausam Bhavan, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi. 110 001

Dear Sir,

Sub: Request for information on Nature of work of Group B (Gazetted, Non Gazetted) and Group C in IMD under RTI Act

1. IMD's mandate and the official designation of Group B (Gazetted & Non Gazetted) officers and Group C staff imply that they are recruited on specific qualification for a specific scientific purpose to take surface, upper air (pilot balloon and RS/RW), current weather, DWR, satellite and other related round the clock observations, validation of the data, archival of the data and analysis of weather charts and so on. As per text the above said work is purely scientific in nature.
2. Group B (Gazetted & Non Gazetted) officers and Group C staff posted for taking any kind of observational work, perform rosters duties (7 days/6days week with 42 hours work schedule) which is operational, essential and scientific in nature.
3. **Therefore, kindly furnish the supporting documents that classify whether the nature of following work assigned for Group B (Gazetted & Non Gazetted) officers is purely scientific or non-scientific in nature:-**
 - a. **Issuing various forecasts at airports**
 1. Trend forecast at Airports
 2. Terminal aerodrome forecast (TAFORS)
 3. Local forecast and area forecast
 4. Aerodrome weather warnings
 5. Route forecasts (ROFORS)
 - b. **Maintenance and repair of Automatic Weather Station(AWS), Automatic Rain Gauge(ARG), RADARS and other related Meteorological Instruments.**
 - c. **Analysis of weather charts, General forecasting, current weather and synoptic observation.**
4. **Whether Group B (Gazetted & Non Gazetted) Officers and Group C staff who are working round the clock duties in IMD are operational and essential in nature or not as per extant rules?**
5. I request that information sought as above may be furnished within 30 days from the date of receipt of this RTI application and oblige.

I enclose herewith Postal orders bearing No.14F 764702 and 14F 764703 for Rs.10/- (RTI Fee) and Rs.10/- (Cost of documents demanded) respectively both drawn in the name of Public Information Officer payable at New Delhi.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


(C A Kameshwary)
RTI Applicant

Encl : IPOs ibid.

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