Dy.No.137007/DS(BM-IV) Ministry of Home Affairs BM-V Section

Sub: Information sought under RTI Act, 2005 regarding action taken in Uttarakhand -

Placed below is a RTI Application received from RTI Section, MHA secking information on the action taken by the Central Govt, and the State Govt, of Miturakhand regarding the present condition of Kedarnath Dham and other land slide and flood affected areas.

The text of the RTI application is reproduced below:

What actions has been taken by the Central and State Govt. of Uttarakhand regarding the present condition of kedarnath dham and other land slide and flood affected areas.

What actions has been taken by NDRF in the flood affected areas of Uttarakhand.

Why the govt, not provided high capacity passengers carrying helicopters in the flood and land slide affected areas

How many battalions of Army and ITBP personals are involved in the rescue operation and how the policy of food packet distribution work

From the above, it may be observed that the subject matter of the RTI application does not pertain to BM Division. The matter pertains to DM Division of MHA. The RTI application may therefore be sent to JS(DM) for further necessary action.

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RTI MATTER/TIME BOUND No.A-43020/01/2013-RTI Government of India/Bharat Sarkar Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya New Delhi, Dated the 11 7 OFFICE MEMORANDUM Subject: Application of Shri/Smt/Ms. Sauceay. Stivestava .....under the Right to Information Act, 2005. - transfer thereof. 2005 of Shri/Smt/Kum Saurav Shivastava RTI Act, .....by transfer from (received on ...\(\frac{1}{2}\).../2013). Since the requested information pertains to/ is more closely related to the functions of the Ministry/Department/of ITBP and MHA: the application is transferred under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to that Public Authority for providing information. It is requested that if the subject matter pertains to any other Public Authority, the application may be further transferred to that Authority directly, under intimation to the applicant. The applicant has paid the prescribed fee of Rs.10/- vide Receipt No. ......dated ...../2013 (eopy enclosed)/ not paid the fee since he claims to/belongs to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) Category. Encl: As above. Srihibas Pradhan ) Deputy Secretary (E) & CPIO. midimbe reply-Director (RM-P) Mo Hem Affairs, NDCC-I Rulding Jai Singh Road, New Delhi Director Greneral, I.T.B.P, C.GO Complex, lochi Road New Nolhi Copy for information to:

(He/She is requested to contact the above-mentioned CPIO/Public Authority for further information in the matter).

Shri/Smt/Ms. Sauzav Sovastava Saraswate Niwas, Jawahar Colony, Posfal Pask, PS - Kankarbagh Pio Patna, Calo Patna - 800001

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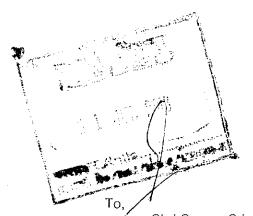
**Text of RTI Application** 

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No.40-12/2013-NDM-I Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division)

> Hall-'B', 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi,

> > Dated the, 29 July, 2013.

Shri Saurav Srivastava, Saraswati Niwas Jawahar Colony, Postal Park, PS- Kankarbagh, PO- Patna GPO, Saura-800001

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Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

I am to refer to your application dated 08.07.2013 submitted under the RTI Act, 2005, received in this Ministry on 25.07.2013 through BM Division, MHA seeking information under said Act.

- 2. It is informed that the State Government concerned are primarily responsible for undertaking necessary rescue & relief measures in the wake of natural disasters including flash flood/landslide. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments by providing financial and logistic support, if required, to meet the situation effectively. For this purpose, a State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) has been constituted with an allocated amount for each State. The State Governments are expected to take relief measures of immediate nature, out of the funds available in the SDRF. State Executive Committee headed by the Chief Secretary is empowered to operate the relief fund and also responsible to ensure that money drawn from the SDRF is actually utilized for the purpose for which the SDRF has been setup, and only on items of expenditure, and as per norms contained in the guidelines issued by the GOI. These items & norms are uploaded on the website of this Ministry www.ndmindia.in
- 3. However, as per available records, following rescue and relief measures have been taken:
  - (i) About 580 persons (including 20 victims of helicopter crash on 25<sup>th</sup>June, 2013) have lost their lives. 4,473 persons were injured, while 5,526 were reported missing.
  - (ii) About 1,08,653 persons were rescued to safer places and all the grims stranded at various places were evacuated to safer places (as on 02.07.13). (However, it must be taken into cognisance that many persons would remain at Badrinath ji, Gangotri and Yamunotri till the holy doors of respective dhams get closed for winter till second week of Novermber, 2013).
  - (iii) NDRF deployed 14 teams for the operation and rescued 9,502 persons as on 18.07.2013
  - (iv) ITBP has deployed about 1,200 personnel for the operation and rescued 33,009 persons as on 18.07.2013.

- (v) IAF has deployed about 45 helicopters for the operation and resc 22,258 persons. IAF carried out sorties.
- (vi) Indian Army has deployed 8,000 personnel including 150 Special Forces and rescued 38,750 persons. Army carried out 737 sorties. Besides 20 private helicopters were also utilized in the operations.
- (vii) In pursuance of announcement made by Hon'ble Prime Minister, Rs. 145 crore was already released to the State from SDRF on 20.06.13. In addition Rs. 250 Crore released from NDRF on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2013 on account basis.
- (viii) 2000 tonnes of wheat and 2000 tonnes of rice at economic cost have been allocated by Union of India to the Uttarakhand State on 21.06.13 for meeting the requirement of the State. State Government is ensuring the flood and essential commodities are available to all affected villages, where road connectivity is lost.
- (ix) Ministry of Petroleum ensured that adequate fuel stock (ATF) is available in the State for carrying out sorties for disaster management duties. Besides, the Ministry is also ensuring adequate availability of MS/HSD/SKO in the state.
- (xi) Out of 1,956 roads destroyed, 1,623 roads were made operational for vehicular movements (as on 19.07.2013). BRO and State Organisations are working to restore the connectivity at the earliest.
- (xii) Out of 3,735 villages/hamlets, where power supply was cut off, it is restored in 3,715 villages/hamlets (as on 19.07.2013).
- (xiii) Out of 968 damagedf rural drinking water systems, 947 are temporarily restored (as on 20.07.13).
- (xiv) The Central Government has sent about 80 doctors at the disposal of State Government, to assist them. No report was received of outbreak of any epidemic and infectious disease.
- 4. However, information asked under your application is related to various departments which are being sent to them for their appropriate action.
- 5. If you are not satisfied with this reply, you may prefer an appeal under Section 19 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 within thirty days from its receipt to

Shri G.V.V. Sarma, Joint Secretary & Appellate Authority, DM Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Hall-'B', 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delni-110001.

(Goutam Ghosh)

Deputy Secretary & CPIO (DM-I)

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## Copy for necessary action:-

- The Chief Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand Dehradoon (Uttarakhand)
- 2. The DG, NDRF East Block-V II, Level-7, R.K.Puram, New Delhi.
- The DG, ITBP Block No.2, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
- The Joint Secretary (G/Air), Ministry of Defence, South Block, New Delhi.

with request to furnish information pertaining to your department. Copy of RTI application is transferred under section 6(3) (ii) to the Right to Information Act, 2005.

## Copy for information to :-

- 1. Shri Srinibas Pradhan, Deputy Secretary (E) & CPIO (RTI), MHA, North Block Delhi w.r.t OM No. A-43020/ 01/2013-RTI dated 11.07.2013.
- BM Division, MHA, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi. (w.r.t. their Note No. 137007/DS(BM-IV) dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2013).

