

Reply of Sl No. 336

RTI Matter
By Speed Post

No. II.20034/35/2014-IS.II/M
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(IS.I Division/IS.II Desk)

North Block, New Delhi,
Dated: 12th May, 2014

To

Ms Shagun Belwal
SFLC.IN
K-9, Second Floor, Birbal Road,
Jangpura Extension, New Delhi-110014.

Sub: Application of Ms Shagun Belwal seeking information under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Madam,

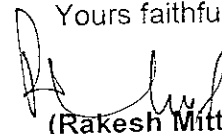
Please refer to your RTI application No Nil dated 19.03.2014, received in the office of this CPIO on 15.04.2014 through MHA OM No A-43020/01/2014-RTI dated 12.04.2014 on the above subject.

2. Para wise reply of the information sought by you is as under:

- I. On an average, between 7,500 to 9000 orders for interception of telephones are issued by Central Government per month. Since the information sought for comes under sub-section 1(a) and 1(g) of Section 8 of the RTI Act, 2005, hence, further details cannot be provided.
- II. All the orders in respect of central Law Enforcement Agencies are being issued by competent authority, who is the Union Home Secretary at the Centre.
- III. & IV : Further detail/breakup of numbers other than the average number under interception as indicated in para I, cannot be provided as the information sought comes under sub-section 1(a) and 1(g) of Section 8 of the RTI Act, 2005. Moreover, this information is not being compiled.

3. It is informed that in case you are not satisfied with the reply, you can prefer an appeal within 30 days from the receipt of this communication to Shri Rakesh Singh, Joint Secretary (Internal Security-I), Room No 197-B, North Block, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi, who is the Appellate Authority in this case.

Yours faithfully,


(Rakesh Mittal)

Director (Internal Security-I) & CPIO

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RTI MATTER TIME BOUND

No.A-48020 01 2014-RTI
Government of India Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs Griti Nidhralaya

New Delhi, Dated the 22/4/14 2014.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Application of Shri M. Shogun Behwal under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith an application dated/2014 under the RTI Act, 2005 of Shri M. Shogun Behwal received in this Ministry on/2014 by transfer from To Information regarding information of the request and status pertaining to same already received by the concerned authority. It is requested that in the subject matter pertaining to an under RTI Act, 2005, the application may be further transferred to that Authority directly under intimation to the applicant.

3. The applicant has paid the requisite fee of Rs.10- vide Receipt No. 28.3.22 dated 25/3/2014 (copy enclosed) not paid the fee since he claims to/belongs to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) Category.

Encl: As above.

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16/4/14

[Signature]
(S. Samanta)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To: The Director IS-1
WTA
North Block, New Delhi

Copy for information to:

Shri M. Shogun Behwal
SFLS IN
K-9, Second Floor, Birbal Road,
Jangpura, New Delhi-14

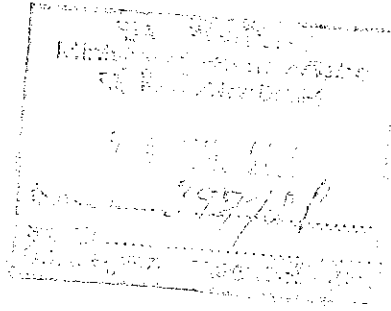
(He/She is requested to contact the above-mentioned CPIO/Public Authority for further information in the matter).

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1834/R2/2014
28/3/14

19 March, 2014

The Central Information Officer
Ministry of Home Affairs
R.N. 123, North Block
New Delhi



Sub: Application under Right to Information, 2005.

Sir,

This is with reference to Rule 419 A of the Indian Telegraph Rules 1951, which prescribes the procedure to be followed while giving directions for interception.

Accordingly, I wish to kindly seek the following information:

1. Kindly provide the total number of orders/directions issued, for interception of any messages or class of messages, in the year 2013;
2. Out of the total number of orders/directions issued, how many were issued by officers who are authorized to give such directions under Rule 419 A(1) (i.e. the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs)
3. Out of the total number of orders/directions issued, how many were issued in unavoidable circumstances, by such officers not being below the rank of a Joint Secretary to the Government of India, and who have been duly authorized by the Union Home Secretary?
4. How many approvals for interception were given by officers designated under proviso to Sub (1) of Rule 419 A, in emergent cases (for eg. in remote areas and/or for operational reasons) (i.e. Head or the second senior most officer of Law Enforcement Agency at the Central level and the officers authorized in this behalf)

If the information sought herein is with any other public authority please transfer the application to such authority within a period of five days (as per Section 6(3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005) and inform me of such transfer and related communication.

I am a 'Citizen' of India and I am requesting for this information as a 'Citizen' of India. I am enclosing one postal order of Rs. 10 dated 19 March, 2014 favouring the Pay and Accounts Officer (HQ), MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS as the requisite fee. I am ready to pay any expense incurred in making photocopies of documents on intimation of the same.

Yours faithfully,

Ms. Shagun Belwal
SFLC.IN

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