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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(PP Division)

NDCC-II Building, 3rd Floor,
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001,
Dated: 14th June, 2013

To

Ms. Smt. Arunima,
Senior Special Correspondent,
CNN-IBN, Express Trade Tower,
Plot No.15,16, Sector-16A,
Film City, Noida-201301.

Subject:- Application under the RTI Act-2005-reg.

Sir,

Please refer to your RTI application dated 21.05.2013 received in this unit on transfer on 29.05.2013.

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2. In this regard, it is stated that under the Constitution of India, Law and order is a State subject and it is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Governments/UT Administrations to provide security to an individual, who is ordinarily resident in their jurisdiction. Security, if any, is provided only on the basis of comprehensive assessment of threat by security agencies. Details of security provided, category of security, including reasons for providing security, names of individuals having security, etc. are exempt under sections 8 (1) (g) and 24 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. Regarding expenditure on providing security, it is stated that due to the involvement of multiple agencies, including State Government agencies, it is difficult to calculate the expenditure incurred on providing security cover and such details are not maintained in this office.

4. An appeal if any, against this reply may be made within 30 days to Shri Lokesh Jha, Joint Secretary (PP) & Appellate Authority, Ministry of Home Affairs, 3rd Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110003.

Yours faithfully,

(Girish Kumar)
Director (VS) & CPIO
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Copy to: Shri Sanjoy Mitra, Under Secretary, RTI Cell, MHA, North Block, New Delhi
w.r.t. OM No.A-43020/01/2013-RTI dated 23.05.2013.

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To,
Central Public Information Officer,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
North Block,
New Delhi - 110001.
Dear Sir,

Date - 21/05/2013

Subject: Information on security covers to public and private person

This is to seek information under the right to information act about number of Union Ministers, State Ministers, MPs, MLAs and private persons who have been provided security cover by Union Home Ministry.

Can information kindly be given about:-

1) How many Union Ministers, State Ministers, MPs, MLAs and private persons asked for security cover between January 1, 2012 and May 20, 2013?

2) What was the reason cited by each one of them in seeking security?

3) How many of these applications were accepted by MHA?

4) What is the level of security provided to each one of the applicants?

5) Can details please be shared about how many personnel and from which force would be guarding those provided security cover? What is the approximate cost to exchequer in each case?

6) How many private persons have been given security cover between Jan 1, 2012 and 20, May 2013? How many of them are paying for the Para military guarding them?

I will be grateful if the information can be shared in 30 days time in public interest.

Thanks and regards

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