



No. WII/RTI/CPIO/2022-23 (Qtr-III)/69

Date:8th February, 2023

To

Mr. Arvind Sing Rana (Advocate) Chamber No. 16, Block 14 Civil Court Compound Dehradun, Uttarakhand

Sub.: Information under RTI Act, 2005-reg.

Ref.: Your RTI No. NIL dated 29-12-2022

Sir/Madam.

Please refer to your application cited above under RTI Act, 2005. In this context, the PARA-WISE information under RTI has been received from concerned authority/department on 27/01/2023 and is provided in the enclosed document as Annexure 1 & Annexure 2.

In case, you are not satisfied with the aforesaid reply, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority as per details given below within 30 days from the date of receipt of this letter.

Dean, FWS First Appellate Authority & Dean Address: Wildlife Institute of India, Chandrabani, Dehradun Phone No.: 01352646202

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

[Dr. Manoj Kumar Agarwal]

Wildlife Institute of India Chandrabani, Dehradun Administration Section

No.: A/2-31/2005-WII

Dated:

8 February, 2023

Sub: Information under R.T.I. Act-2005

Ref: CPIO note dated 31.12.2022 providing information on the RTI application No. NIL of Advocate Arvind Singh Rana, Dehradun

Information required:- The information on point No. 1 to 2 of the RTI applicant has been sought from WII. The required information under RTI Act is furnished below:-

Point No	Point-wise information sought	Reply of WII								
1	Proceedings and communication between Wildlife Institute of India and Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), New Delhi regrading regularization of twelve contractual employees working in WII	The required information is furnished as Annexure 1 .								
2	Details of all Sanctioned. Permanent and vacant post till date at WII	The required information is furnished as Annexure 2 .								

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Note #1

- 1. It is submitted that the WII engaged 23 employees on contract for working in the Technical and Administration category since 1989 for varying service length from 11 to 28 years. The expenditure towards their salary was met out form the grant-in-aid.
- 2. During the pendency of above W.P., the WII counsel had filed affidavit annexing the recommendations of the Director WII which was sent to MoEF & CC vide WII letter No.WII/ADM/2015-16/37 dated 17.10.2017 (page 1-4) wherein it was stated that a scheme for regularization of these 23 contractual staff may be made by creation of new post as onetime measure wherein the services of existing 23 contractual employees will be regularized. These posts will get automatically abolished upon superannuation of these contractual employees appointed against such positions, when they attain the age pf 60 years.
- 3. During the pendency of above W.P., the WII counsel had filed affidavit annexing the recommendations of the Director WII which was sent to MoEF& CC vide WII letter No.WII/ADM/2015-16/37 dated 17.10.2017 wherein it was stated that, considering the long years of service of the contract employees their absorption be considered and thereafter the post be abolished after the petitioners reach the age of superannuation.
- 4. In response to WII letter, the MoEF&CC vide its letter F.No. 22-1/2017WL dated 24.05.2018 (page 5) directed WII that age relaxations as per Government of India rules may be given to the contractual employee of WII as and when regular vacancy occurs. This directive could not be implemented as the matter was sub-judiced.
- 5. On 07.11.2017, the above mentioned writ petition was disposed by the single bench of Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand with the directives that this seems to be fair considering the long years of service of the petitioners. Writ petitions were therefore disposed of with the direction to the Secretary, MoEFCC Government of India to consider the recommendation of the Director, WII dated 17.10.2017 and pass appropriate orders thereon. A copy of judgement dated 07.11.2017 placed vide (page 6-9).
- 6. As the Petioners were not satisfied with the judgement, theyagain moved to the division bench of Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand. The Division Bench High Court passed the judgement vide its order dated 31.10.2018 in WPSS No. 3569/2018 31.10.2018 in SA No. 455/2018 with the directions to WII to regularize the services of petitioners taking into consideration of the length of their services within a period of 10 weeks. A copy of said judgement is placed vide 10-12 for perusal.
- 7. Subsequently, the WII filed Special Leave Petition (SLP) in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India against the above judgment dated 31.10.2018 of Hon'ble High Court Division Bench.
- 8. Now, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has passed the judgement on the above SLP with the directions that "We are not inclined to interfere with impugned order passed by the High Court. The Special Leave Petitions are dismissed". A copy of said judgement is placed vide 13.
- The Institute's legal retainer opinion into the matter was also obtained and placed vide page 14-16 for perusal, who advised WII to implement the court Order.
- 10. In light of the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the Director, WII constituted a committee vide Office Order No.WII/ADM/2022/58 dated 05.12.2022 (page 17) with the directives to study the Order/Judgement of Hon'ble High Court, to suggest follow up actions required for implementing the directives of Hon'ble Court and to deal with the matters arising out of the said court order. The committee constituted met on 09.12.2022 and took a view that (page 18-19).

INFORMATION PROVIDED

The services of the petitioners may be regularized w.e.f 31.10.2018 by granting notional benefits from the date of engagement on contract basis.

The annual increments and replacement pay scales of 6th 27th pay commissions may be

ii. The arrears of payt and allowances may be paid to the petitioners w.e.f 31.10.2018.

The Committee was also of the view that the offer will be subject to fulfilling of the iii. educational qualifications/professional qualifications required for the post/job responsibility iv. based on the then recruitment rules applicable at that point of time.

> Approval of the Competent Authority is solicited on the above proposal so that the educational qualifications required for the posts/job and financial implication for it may be workout for the implementation of the judgement of Hon'ble Division Bench of Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand dated31.10.2018. Further orders will be subjected to any further directions of the Hon'ble Court, if any.

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The SLP of the WII has been dismissed by the Supreme Court. Now compliance of directions of Hon'ble High Court has to be done.

Submitted for kind approval of the Secretary, EF&CC and Chairperson, WII GB please.

DGF&SS- on tour abroad.

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Does this require consideration of the Finance committee under the GB?

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Note # 4 I have discussed the matter with Dy Secy IFD.

only requires approval of the Secretary/Chairperson WII GB.

Submitted for kind approval please.



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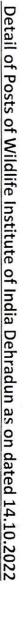
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