# F. No. 15-27/CESTAT/CPIO/ND/2020 Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal West Block No. 2, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110 066

CPIO ID No. 15-27/2020

Subject: Information sought under RTI Act, 2005. Sir/Madam,

Please refer to RTI application of Shri/Smt.Madhu (No.DOREV/R/T/20/00847/2), dated 06.07.2020 received from U.S./CPIO Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue in this office on 31.07.2020, under RTI Act 2005, the information received from Care Taking Section containing 01 page is enclosed herewith for your reference please.

#### Note:

- 1. RTI application's replies which are related to outer benches may be gathered form there by filing RTI applications there directly, for facilitation, CPIOs are nominated at all outer benches separately.
- 2. If aggrieved, you may file an appeal under section 19 of RTI Act within thirty days before Hon'ble First Appellate Authority, CESTAT New Delhi.

Encl: As Above

CESTAT New Delhi

To,

1. Ms.Madhu Durga Bhawan, Near Institute of Technology, Mohan Nagar, Gaziabad Pin-201007.

Copy to: Sh.Bhowmick,

U.S.to the Govt. of India M/o Finance, D/o Revenue, North Block, New Delhi-110004



## Care Taking Section

Subject:-Forwarding of information sought by Ms. Madhu under RTI ACT- 2005:-reg

Please refer to your letter dated 06/08/2020 issued vide F. No. 15-27/CESTAT/CPIO-ND/2020 on the above subject.

In this regard the following is submitted:-

- Yes, CVC guidelines issued for hiring of vehicles are being followed i) strictly.
- Yes, Relevant provision of GFR are followed while hiring of vehicles. ii)
- Yes, an open transparent tendering procedure to be completed by this iii) tribunal for hiring of vehicles.
- Yes, Only taxi registered vehicles are hired through tendering procedure. iv)
- This point does not pertains to this section.  $\mathbf{v}$
- Yes, Log book is maintained of Department vehicles. vi)
- The hiring of vehicles are done through Tender Notice. vii) Service provider is M/s Sat Kartar Tour N Travels and office station New Delhi and vehicle no. is DL-8CAF-3998 & DL-1CR-2451 & DL-10CH-1116

This for information please.

F.No. 151(21)/RTI/CESTAT/11/CT

Dated:-20/08/2020

(Mukesh Gupta) Assistant Registrar

To

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CESTAT, Delhi

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# F. No. 33/RTI/Misc./CESTAT-ND/Admn.2016- Vol II सीमाशुल्कउत्पादशुल्कएवंसेवाकरअपीलीयअधिकरण, पश्चिमीखण्ड –२, रामकृष्णपुरम, नईदिल्ली66 CUSTOMS EXCISE & SERVICE TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL

West Block No. 2, R.K. Puram, New Delhi – 110 066

Dated: 31.7.2020 I.D. No. 15-27/2020

#### **ADMINISTRATION SECTION**

Sub: Information sought under Right to Information Act, 2005

With reference to the RTI application received from Sh./Smt. Madhu Ref. (F. No. DOREV/R/T/20/00847/2 dated 6.7.2020) received by transfer from Under Secretary Ad.1C letter dated 31.7.2020 in CPIO I.D. No. 15-26/2020 (CESTAT), the information sought by the applicant under RTI Act 2005.

In this regard, the point-wise replies are as under:-

- <u>Point 1 to4</u> The requisite information does not pertain to Admin Section.

  However, the requisite information may be sought from Caretaking Section.
- Point 5 No such option from Officers drawing Grade Pay of Rs. 10,000(Prerevised) and above has been received in Admin Section, however, CPIO Delhi may obtain the requisite information from Caretaking Section and Cash Section.
- <u>Point 6-</u> Log Book for vehicles attached with CESTAT Delhi is not maintained in Admin Section. However, CPIO Delhi may obtain requisite information from Caretaking Section.
- <u>Point 7-</u> Details of Hiring of vehicles through GeM Portal or otherwise may be sought from Caretaking Section as the matter does not pertain to Admin Section.

(Assistant Registrar) CESTAT New Delhi

To

CPIO/Accounts Officer, CESTAT, New Delhi



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Therefore, in terms of the provisions of Section 6(3) & 5(4) read with Section 5(5) of RTI Act 2005 the RTI application CPIO ID No. **15-27/2020 (CESTAT)** is forwarded herewith to you as **CPIO** under section 5(4), with request to provide the correct and Para wise information/inspection on or before **20.08.2020** directly to the applicant as permissible under the RTI Act & DOP & T. O.Ms within the stipulated time, failing which, as CPIO under section 5(4), you will be responsible for delay/denial and penalty if any, under section 20 of RTI Act. Further requested to follow OM No.12/31/2013-IR dated; 12.02.2013 circulated on 23.05.2013 and O.M. No. 1/18/2011-IR dated 16.09.2011.

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Encl: As above.

CESTAT New Delhi Dated:06.08.2020

For Compliance to:

#### 1. Care Taking section.

Copy to: (For Information)

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   Durga Bhawan, Near Institute of Technology,
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CESTAT New Delhi Dated:31.07.2020

For Compliance to:

1. Asstt. Registrar (Admn.Section)

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#### **RTI MATTER**

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North Block, New Delhi Dated 28 July, 2020

To

- 1. The CPIO, O/o Competent Authority & Administrator, Delhi.
- 2. The CPIO, O/o Competent Authority & Administrator, Mumbai.
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- 9. The CPIO, CESTAT, New Delhi

Subject:- Transfer of an online RTI Application (reg no. DOREV/R/T/20/00847/2) dated 06.07.2020 of Ms. Madhu, Uttar Pradesh under the RTI Act, 2005- reg

Please find enclosed an online RTI Application dated 06.07.2020 of Ms. Madhu, Uttar Pradesh received on 27.07.2020.

2. Since the subject matter in the RTI application dated 07.07.2020 pertains to your office, the RTI application is transferred under section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005. You are requested to send the reply directly to the applicant and a copy of the same may also be endorsed to this cell for information.

**Encl: As above** 

Yours faithfully,

(S.Bhowmick)
Under Secretary & CPIO (AD:1C Branch)
Tel.No.23095369

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#### Copy for information to:-

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(ii) Smt. Sudha Rani (Section Officer), RTI Cell, Department of Revenue, Room no.- B-31, North Block, New Delhi

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#### Systems improvement - Guidelines regarding hiring of vehicles by Government offices

The Commission has come across instances of hiring vehicles owned by near ones/relatives of Government servants, for operational/ staff car purposes, either without following the due processes of tendering, or by following such procedure as an empty formality by getting three or more quotes from interested parties at pre-determined prices. It is further seen that majority of the vehicles so hired are not registered as taxi/transport vehicles but are registered as private vehicles. There are also allegations that some officers are buying high end expensive cars in the names of their relatives or persons known to them and are taking such vehicles on lease allegedly for official purposes.

- 2. The Commission is of the view that such a practice virtually amounts to carrying on private business by the officers which is a prohibited conduct. Accordingly, the Commission advised Ministry of Finance and DoPT on 12.08.2016 to prescribe guidelines and procedure to curb such undesirable practices in hiring vehicles and that an open, transparent procedure through which vehicles registered as taxi or public transport are hired to effect systemic improvements and prevent such undesirable practices.
- 3. As advised by the Commission, the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance vide Circular No.13011/50/2016-Vig dated 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2016 issued instructions to prevent corrupt / undesirable practices in awarding contracts for hiring of vehicles to Government offices. D/o Revenue advised all HoDs and concerned officers of the attached / subordinate offices of the Department to ensure that in addition to the existing provisions/rules for hiring of vehicles, the following instructions are duly complied with:
- (i) Relevant provision of GFR are strictly followed while hiring of vehicles;
- (ii) An open, transparent tendering procedure is adopted;
- (iii) Only vehicles registered as taxi or public transport vehicle are hired;
- (iv) Log book is maintained as in case of Department vehicles.

# RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)

Registration DOREV/R/T/20/00847/2 **Date of Receipt** Number (प्राप्ति की तारीख) : (पंजीकरण संख्या) : Transferred From Department of Revenue on 11/07/2020 With Reference (से स्थानांतरित): Number : DOREV/R/T/20/00847 RTI Application is marked to concerned CPIO of Deptt. of Remarks(टिप्पणी) Exp. and also being transferred to CGA under Section 6 (3) : of the RTI Act,2005 to furnish available information on points concerning them to applicant directly. Language of English Electronically Transferred Type of Receipt Request (अनुरोध from Other Public (रसीद का प्रकार) : Authority की भाषा : Gender (लिंग): Female Name (नाम): MADHU DURGA BHAWAN, NEAR INSTITUTE OF Address (पता) : TECHNOLOGY, MOHAN NAGAR GAZIABAD, Pin:201007 Country (देश): India State (राज्य): Delhi Mobile Number +91-Phone Number Details not provided (मोबाईल नंबर): 9204584811 (फोन नंबर) : Email-ID (ईमेल- madhuswect23@rediffmail.com आईडी) : Status (स्थिति) Rural **Education Status:** (Rural/Urban): Details not Requester Letter Details not provided Letter Date: provided Number(निवेदक पत्र संख्या) : Indian Is Requester No **Below Poverty** Citizenship Status Line ? (क्या (नागरिकता) आवेदक गरीबी रेखा से नीचे का है?) : Payment 0 (Received by Mode of Payment Gateway Amount Paid Department of (भुगतान का प्रकार) (राशि का भुगतान): Expenditure) (original recipient) S.Bhomick Does it concern No(Normal) US(AD.IC) the life or Liberty Request Pertains to of a Person? (अनुरोध (क्या यह किसी निम्नलिखित संबंधित व्यक्ति के जीवन अथवा स्वतंत्रता से संबंधित है?) : Information Kindly see the matter Sought (जानकारी

#### मांगी):



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- (i) Whether CVC guidelines issued for hiring of vehicles are being followed.
- (ii) Whether Relevant provision of GFR are strictly followed while hiring of vehicles.
- (iii) Whether an open, transparent tendering procedure is being adopted.

### Original RTI Text (मूल आरटीआई पाठ):

- (iv) Only vehicles registered as taxi or public transport vehicle are hired.
- (v) The officers drawing Grade Pay of Rs. 10,000/-(Prerevised) & above are entitled for Staff Car, for Commuting between office and residence. They have the option to retain the facility or draw Transport Allowance. If they opt for the Transport Allowance, the Staff Car facility shall be withdrawn from the date they have opted for the Transport Allowance. The options exercised by the officers for taking Transport Allowance will be examined by the administrative Ministry (OM No. 21/5/2017-E.II(B) dated 7th July, 2017). Whether, options exercised by the officers for taking Transport Allowance have been examined by the administrative authority.
- (vi) Whether Log book is maintained as in case of Department vehicles.
- (vii) Whether, hiring of vehicles are being done through GeM (Government e Marketplace). If not, Office Name and Office Station alongwith vehicle registration number (Which were not hired through GeM), may please be coded in the reply of RTL.

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- 3 This is being communicated for improving the systems and to prevent corrupt/endes-rable practices henceforth. This is only illustrative, not comprehensive hence, all relevant rules in this regard may also be achieved to

This issues with the approval of AS (R ; & CVO

1Sunil Rumar Meen a Under Secretary (Vo.)

#### Distribution.

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