

DELHI JAL BOARD: GOVT. OF N.C.T. OF DELHI
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VARUNALAYA PH-II, KAROL BAGH, NEW DELHI-05

No. DJB/RTI/Circulars /2011/

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Dated: 29.04.2011

INSTRUCTIONAL ORDER

In compliance to the orders of Central Information Commission bearing decision no.CIC/SG/A/2011/000246/12022 dated 18.04.2011, the circular issued by the then Additional CEO & Director (F&A) dated 19.02.2010 regarding charging of Rs.50/- per page towards the cost of providing certified information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (vide copy enclosed) is hereby **withdrawn**.

Delhi Jal Board, Govt of NCT Delhi
Electronics Data Processing Cell

Dy. No. 660
Date 2/5/11

(Dr. Bipin Behari)

Secretary, DJB and Nodal Officer (RTI)

All Public Information Officers, DJB
All First Appellate Authorities, DJB
PS to CEO/Members
All Directors/ CEs

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Copy to:-

1. Sh. Dharendra Kumar, U.S. & A.R. Central Information Commission, Club Building, Old JNU Capus, Opposite Ber Saria, New Delhi-110067
2. Director (EDP): with request to upload this i/o on the website of DJB.
3. Consultant (PR): with request to get it published in Varun Patrika for information of all the employees of DJB.
4. SE (South-West): to ensure that the requested information is supplied to the applicant free of cost before 30th April 2011 as per the orders of CIC.

Secretary, DJB and Nodal Officer (RTI)

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Addl CEO & Dir (F&A)/206 to 227
Dated - 19.2.2010


May kindly note an **Important Decision of CIC**

[Shri S. P. Goyal v. PMO in Appeal No.CIC/WB/A/2008/01492]

In the above case, on the question of **reasonableness of fee for certification by the CPIO**, the Commission noted that complainant has requested for certified copies of papers which run into hundreds of pages.

The Commission agreed with the CPIO that a responsible officer has to carefully tally, compare the documents with the originals and certify these only thereafter, and certify, lest he errs into providing wrong certification. The certifying officer has to suspend his other work to attend to this RTI request of the complainant, and hence a charge of **Rs. 50/- per page as cost for certifying** the hundreds of pages of information, is **not unreasonable** [Appeal No. CIC/AT/C/2007/00282 - Shri S. P. Goyal v. CIT -XII & Anr.].

The applicant felt that the above decision constitutes an error in law as it contravenes fee rules and sought second appeal. The Commission ruled that the decision of the CIC is binding.


(Santosh D. Vaidya)

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All Directors / CEs

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