

## GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE 9<sup>TH</sup> LEVEL, A-WING, DELHI SECRETARIAT, NEW DELHI.

No. F.1/RTI/Suo-motu/H&FW/2011/1909

Dated:

To

- All the MSs/HODs/Institutions under H&FW Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 2. The Dy. Secretary(Admn)SS, H&FW Department.

Sub: - Delhi High Court's decision in LPA No.618/2012 dated 0s6-11-2012 in the matter of disclosure of information under provisions of RTI Act, relating to disciplinary matters.

## Sir/Madam.

Reference above cited subject, CVC vide its letter No.CVC/RTI/Misc/10/002 dated 04.04.2013(Copy enclosed) and DOV vide letter No.F.11/1/Misc./RTI/2012/DOV/5694 dated 19.06.2013 (copy enclosed), has drawn the attention to the Judgement/Order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 06.11.2012 in LPA No.618/2012 in the case of UPSC Vs R.K. Jain, in which the issue of disclosure of information/documents under the provisions of RTI Act, pertaining to vigilance/disciplinary proceedings has been considered by the Hon'ble Court.

In this regard, the CVC has observed as under:-

"The CVOs may bring the above quoted Judgement/Order of the Hon'ble High Court of the Delhi to the notice of the all CPIOs/Appellate Authorities for their respective organization, who may take due cognizance of the same, while deciding the RTI Applications and Appeals relating to disclosure of documents/information pertaining to vigilance/disciplinary proceedings (including Orders of the Disciplinary Authority). The complete decision of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in the aforesaid case us available on its website www.delhihighcourt.nic.in in downloadable form under the head. "JUDGEMENT".

Accordingly, all MSs/HODs/Head of the Institutes are requested that above observation of the CVC may kindly be brought in the notice of all CPIOs/Appellate Authorities for their respective organization, who may take due cognizance of the same, while deciding the RTI Applications and Appeals relating to disclosure of the documents/information pertaining to Vigilance/disciplinary proceeding (including Orders of the Disciplinary Authority).

Yours faithfully.

Encl: As above.

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No. F.1/RTI/Suo-motu/H&FW/2011/1998-2040 Dated: STATE Copy for information to The Assistant Director(Vigilance), Dte. of Vigilance, 4th Level, C-Wing, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi-110002 w.r.t their letter

No.F.11/1/Misc./RTI/2012/DOV/5694 dated 19.06.2013.

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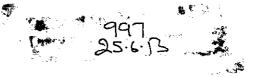
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No.F.11/1/Misc./RTI/2012/DOV/ 5694

Date: 19/6/201

To

The All HOD/Head of the Institutes, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.



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Encl.:- As above.

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b: Delhi High Court's decision in LPA No. 618/2012 dated 06.11.2012 in the matter of disclosure of information under the provisions of RTI Act, relating to disciplinary matters.

The attention of the CVOs concerned is drawn to the Judgement/Order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 06.11.2012 in LPA No. 618/2012 in case of Union Public Service Commission Vs R. K. Jain, in which the issue of disclosure of information/documents under the provisions of RTI Act, pertaining to vigilance/disciplinary proceedings has been considered by the Hon'ble Court.

## 2. The Hon'ble Court in its Judgement, had observed that:

"The counsel for the respondent has argued that in the case before the Supreme Court the CIC itself had denied the information while in the present case CIC itself has allowed the information. To our mind the same is irrelevant. The counsel for the respondent has next sought ake us through the reasoning given by the learned Single Judge. However, in the light of the dicta aforesaid of the Supreme Court and which if applicable to the facts of the present case is binding on this Bench, we are not required to go into the correctness or otherwise of the reasoning given by the learned Single Judge, Faced therewith the counsel for the respondent has lastly contended that the appellant UPSC in the present case is not the employer of the officer Shri G.S. Narang, information pertaining to whom was sought and the principle laid down by the Supreme Court is applicable to the employer only. We however fail to see the difference. The ratio of the dicta aforesaid of the Supreme Court is that the disciplinary orders and the documents in the course of disciplinary proceedings are personal information within the meaning of Section 8(1)(j) and the disclosure of which normally has no relationship to any public activities or public interest and disclosure of which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of an individual. Though the appellant UPSC is not the employer of Shri G.S. Narang, information pertaining to whom is sought by the respondent, but his employer had sought the advice/opinion/recommendation of the appellant UPSC in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against the said Shri G.S. Narang and we fail to see as to how it makes a difference whether the information relating to disciplinary proceedings is sought from the employer or from the consultant of the employer. What is exempt in the hands of the employer would certainly be exempt in the hands of consultant of the employer also. The advice given by the appellant UPSC would necessarily pertain to the disciplinary action against Shri G.S. Narang. Section 8(1)(j) exempts from disclosure personal information, irrespective of with whom it is possessed and from whom disclosure thereof is sought"; 🦿

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