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The Public Information Officer
Environmental Impact Assessment (IA) Division
Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF)- Gol

Subject: Seeking information from the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) under the Right to Information Act 2005.

Dear Sir,

This letter is to request for information from the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) under the Right To Information Act, 2005. Kindly provide the following information:

1. How many building & construction projects have applied for environmental clearance since Sept 2006 – till date?
2. How many Building and Construction projects have got environmental clearance (EC) since Sept 2006 – till date? Please specify the location, project proponent/s, year of clearance, built up area, water demand, energy consumption of the projects granted environmental clearance.
3. Please provide the
 - a) total number of half yearly environmental clearance compliance reports
 - b) The time interval at which the half yearly environmental clearance compliance reports were submitted to MoEF by the individual Building and Construction projects granted EC by MoEF since Sept 2006- till date. Please also provide the copy of the submitted compliance reports of these projects.
4. Of the list of Building and Construction projects granted environmental clearance since Sept 2006 – till date, how many were post facto clearances? Please provide the names of these projects, their proponents and project location.

Note: Building and Construction projects are defined as covering a built-up area of ≥ 20000 sq.mtrs and $\leq 1,50,000$ sq.mtrs as defined in the EIA notification 2006.

Kindly provide me the above information by the speed post ^{and soft copy} on the following address. Also please acknowledge me on the receipt of this application.

My contact details:

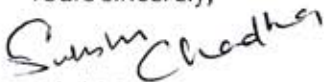
Name of the Applicant: Sakshi C. Dasgupta
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I am a bonafide citizen of India and owe allegiance to the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India and have not voluntarily acquired the citizenship of another country The prescribed application fee of rupees ten is paid in cash.

Place: New Delhi

Date: November 16, 2011

Yours sincerely,


Sakshi C. Dasgupta

Received at IFC on. 16/11/11
at 12:10 PM along with Rs. 10/-
as App. Fees/Photocopy charges

No.20-277/2011-IA-III
Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(IA-III Division)

Paryavaran Bhavan
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New Delhi – 110 003

Date: 20.1.2012

To

Ms. Sakshi C. Dasgupta
Centre for Science and Environment
41 Tuglaqabad Institutional Area
New Delhi – 110 062

Subject: Application under RTI Act, 2005 regarding Environmental Clearances since September 2006–till date in Building/Construction projects.

Madam

This is with reference to your application on the above mentioned subject. It may be noted that under this Act only documents are provided. Copies of different letters have also been sought. The specific references of these letters have not been given. No compilation of such information is readily available with the Ministry. Therefore I have been directed to say that it is not possible to provide the information in the form it is sought as it is spread-out in various files/documents/records of the Ministry and any effort in this regard would disproportionately divert the resources of public authority.

However I have also been directed to say that some relevant information as per the available records is furnished below:

- 1 Building/Construction Projects applied for environmental clearance during 2006-2011

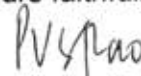
S. No	Year	Projects applied (Number)
1	2006	785
2	2007	1235
3	2008	393
4	2009	53
5	2010	67
6	2011	181

2. Building/Construction Projects granted environmental clearance during 2006-2011

S. No	Year	Projects applied (Number)
1	2006	175
2	2007	640
3	2008	487
4	2009	101
5	2010	59
6	2011	52

3. The compliance reports are received by the regional offices of the Ministry of Environment & Forests.
4. I have been directed to mention that the environmental clearances issued to building/construction projects are available on the Ministry's website (www.envfor.nic.in) with all project details.

Yours faithfully



Dr.P V Subba Rao
Scientist-B