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Subject: Request for seeking information under RTI Act, 2005 –reg.

Sir,

The undersigned being the CPIO refer to your RTI Application No. SFABC/R/E/25/00028 dated 27/06/2025 on the subject mentioned above. In so far SFAC is concerned, the information is as under:-

S. No	RTI Query	Information under RTI
1.	Our request for information has reference to the RTI reply sent to us by your office on 22-05-2025. As per the reply sent to you, the information was given that 222 FPOs in MP had availed Equity Grant of which 155 FPOs had issued the additional shares within 45 days. We would wish to verify whether section 11.9 (i) of the Ten Thousand FPO Scheme Operational guidelines have been meticulously followed. Based on the above, we would wish to inspect the following documents/ records of the 155 FPOs as per section 2(f) of Right to Information Act 2005.	The information sought by you pertains to third party. In accordance with the provisions of Section 11(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, the consent has been sought from them for disclosing the information. The reply is awaited.
2.	In the event of the FPO sending the compliance report of section 11.9 (i) through E-mail, we would wish to see the printout of the email preserved by SFAC as the official record.	
3.	In the event of the FPO having sent the compliance report of section 11.9 (i) by courier/ speed post, we would wish to inspect the Inward Dak register to establish	

	When the compliance reports were received in the Office of SFAC.	
4.	We would also wish to inspect the Equity Grant Register maintained by SFAC showing the details of the Equity Grant sanctioned/ disbursed to the FPOs, If the documents mentioned above are maintained properly, we believe that it will take us about 4 hours for inspection and taking notes of the 155 FPOs mentioned in your RTI reply of 22-05-2025 Please inform us of the suitable date when this inspection could be undertaken by the RTI applicant or his representative. Kindly inform of the additional fees need to be paid as per the provisions of RTI Act2005	

Further, it is informed that the Central Information Commissioner in its Order No.CIC/AT/A/2006/00045 dated 21.04.2006 has conveyed that "the RTI Act does not cast on the public authority any obligation to answer queries in which a petitioner attempts to elicit answers to his questions with prefixes, such as, why, what, when and whether. The petitioner's right extends only to seeking information as defined in Section 2(f) either by pinpointing the file, document, paper or record etc., or by mentioning the type of information as may be available with the specified public authority."

As per Government of India office memorandum no 1/4/2009- IR dated 05.10.2009 pertaining to Right to Information Act, 2005 published by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training "The Public Information Officer is not supposed to create information; or to interpret information; or to solve the problems raised by the applicants; or to furnish replies to hypothetical questions." It is inform that answering a question or proffering advice or making suggestion to an applicant is beyond the purview of the RTI act.

First Appellate Authority

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Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep kumar)

Dy. Director (PDF)

Central Public Information Officer