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Ref: IGCAR/2(134)/2023 -24/Admin(Vig)/ 693

Sir,

विषय: सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 के तहत चाहि गई सूचना संबंधी
Sub: Information sought under RTI Act, 2005.

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Please refer your online RTI Application bearing Registration No.IGCAR/R/E/23/00107 received online in this Centre on 17.10.2023. The reply to the information sought is as under:

S.No.	Information sought	Reply
1.	As per the information provided by DOPT for the RTI (DOP&T/R/E/23/05331 dated 19.08.2023) seeking effective working hours and break hours for lunch as date, the clear information has been given by DOPT based on the order no:13/11/86-JCA dated 7 th Nov 1986 regardig office timings of ministries/departments that 9.00 am to 5.30 pm (with luch break 1.00 to 1.30 pm) – (para 2-a) and working hours is 40 hours per week (40 hours/5 days is 8 hours per day) only (para-1, 8 th line). But in the circular no:12/16/Admin(G)/2022/347 dated 13.10.2023, it has been mentioned that the working hours for the general shift is 8 hours 30 minutes per day that is against the DOPT order. So, a general shift working hours is 8 hours per day X 245 days per year will be 1960 hours in a year only. Information is sought for calculating working hours for general shift as per DOPT order in this regard.	In para 3 of DoPT No.13/11/86-JCA dated 07.11.1986, it is mentioned to observe 8 ½ hours working day (inclusive of an obligatory half an hour lunch break). Hence the calculation of working hours for general shift is as per DoPT orders.

<p>2.</p>	<p>The purpose of RTC shift in Plant is to ensure the work should be carried out 24 hours basis throughout a year and so 3 RTC shifts (8 hours each) has been insisted by AERB approved guidelines, operation manuals that are being audited annually by AERB. So 24 hours in a day the continuous work is carried out and the equipment, sodium loops, radioactive field, FBTR are never left unmanned as per AERB guidelines. Even if an RTC shift employee goes to lunch/toilet, the other employee working in the same shift will be taking care of the system. And vice versa for that employee. The usage of toilet/drinking water is fundamental human rights but the 24 hours work is always in progress. But in general shift there is no continuous progress of work being carried out the break timings such as Lunch, tea breaks etc., and the corresponding working environment is left unmanned during those break timings. But RTC working areas are never left unmanned similar to general shift and also continuous work is in progress that is the 24 hour RTC shift pattern is existing in IGCAR for carrying out several essential duties as per the approved guidelines of AERB. Information is sought for removing the break hours of general shift during the calculation of working hours of general shift is per the DOPT order in this regard.</p>	<p>In para 3 of DoPT No.13/11/86-JCA dated 07.11.1986, it is mentioned to observe 8 ½ hours working day (inclusive of an obligatory half an hour lunch break). Hence the calculation of working hours for general shift is as per DoPT orders.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>As per the DOPT order the working hours is 8 hours per day for general shift timings. For 24 hours RTC shift duty it is 8 hours per day. But in a year the total working days of general shift is 245 days (245 X 8 will be 1960 hours only) and it is 275 days 275X 8 will be 2200 hours only). And so the actual difference will be 30 days (240 hours) only. But in the circular no:12/16/Admin(G)/2022/347 dated 13.10.2023 it is given as 117.5 hours only. Information is sought for taking into account about actual extra mandatory working hours calculation in comparison to general shift as per the DOPT order no:13/11/86-JCA dated 7th Nov 1986.</p>	<p>This is not an information as defined under Section 2(f) of RTI Act, 2005. It may also be noted that the public authority under the RTI Act is not supposed to create information or to interpret information or to solve the problems raised by the applicants or to furnish reply to hypothetical questions. Only such information can be had under the Act which already exists with the public authority.</p>

4.	Huge discrimination and partiality shown towards essential RTC shift employees in IGCAR.	This is not an information as defined under Section 2(f) of RTI Act, 2005. It may also be noted that the public authority under the RTI Act is not supposed to create information or to interpret information or to solve the problems raised by the applicants or to furnish reply to hypothetical questions. Only such information can be had under the Act which already exists with the public authority.
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02. यदि सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 की धारा -19 के अनुसार अपील करना चाहते हैं, तो इस पत्र की प्राप्ति के 30 दिनों के भीतर अपील प्राधिकारी, इंगांपअर्के को अपील सकते हैं। अपील प्राधिकारी का विवरण निम्नानुसार हैं।

An appeal as per section – 19 of the RTI Act, 2005, if any, can be preferred to the Appellate Authority, IGCAR, within 30 days of the receipt of this letter. The details of Appellate Authority are given below:

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भवदीय / Yours faithfully,

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