

**PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

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New Delhi-110 011

No. RTI/7157/2016-PMR

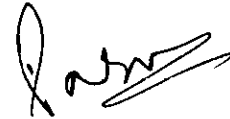
Dated: 29/07/2016

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject : Application under Right to Information Act, 2005.

An application dated 13/07/2016 received on 21/07/2016 from Shri Sushil Raaja on the above noted subject is transferred under section 6(3) (ii) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, for action as appropriate.

Application fee has been received.



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You are advised to approach the above public authority for further information regarding the matter. Response in respect of this office, if any, will be provided in due course.

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DAK SECTION

13/07/2016

No: Pub- Int/ Road Min @ NH Project Cost Scam

To,  
Shri Ambuj Sharma, Central Public Information Officer  
Under Secretary (Public), Prime Minister's Office  
South Block, New Delhi - 110011

RTI

Subject: information sought under RTI Act 2005 on NH Project Cost Corruption in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MORTH).

Sir,

It has been informed recently by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways under RTI that the tendered bid cost (at year 2016 prices) for a Two laning with paved Shoulder of a NH is Rs 107.4499 crore for a 45.75 km long NH Project. The cost of construction so comes to construct a two lane with paved shoulders is Rs 2.35 crore per Km only.

2. MORTH informed that the bids of 6 bidders was opened at 11.00 Hrs on 21/06/2016 in the Chamber of Chief Engineer (P-4) MORTH after rejecting bids of 4 bidders on technical grounds. The lowest bid is 12.77% below the work estimate sanctioned by MORTH. This inter-alia implies that Corrupt MORTH Babus are sanctioning inflated cost estimates. Has PMO / NITI Aayog and Finance Ministry been told of this inflated cost NH project scam widespread in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and NHAI.

3. Pl. State the grounds as projected by NHAI/Road Ministry Corrupt Babus to obtain permission to award NH construction works at highly inflated cost of Rs 10-20 crore/ km for 4 laning (14m width) of NHs when the construction cost of 2 lane with paved shoulder (10m Width) is just Rs 2.35 crore/ km.

4. As PMO is monitoring the progress of NH construction every month due to failures of Road Ministry on account of corruption, so Pl. State the followings:

- i. Sanctioned cost of each of the NH Construction project sanctioned by MORTH and NHAI during the years 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 along with :
- ii. Name of work,
- iii. NH Number and name of the State,
- iv. Length of NH construction,
- v. Length of Bridge construction,
- vi. Date on which tender is called,
- vii. Date on which the Tender has been opened,
- viii. Total number of Bidders who bought the tender documents,
- ix Total amount received from sale of each tender documents,
- x. The account in which the amount received in (viii) above is deposited,
- xi. Number of bidders rejected on technical grounds,
- xii. Amount of earnest money, performance security and bid security received and deposited in government treasury for each work,
- xiii. Amount quoted in each of the financial bids submitted for each of the bidder for the above NH Construction works,
- xiv. Name of the successful bidder(s) along with bid amount and the date of award of work,
- v. Date(s) of signing of agreement,
- xvi. Date(s) of start of construction work,
- xvii. Target date of completion of work as per contract agreement(s),
- xviii. the target date of completion of work as per sanction,
- xix. Progress of each of above construction work(s) as on : a. 31/03/2014, b. 31/03/2015 and c. 31/03/2016,
- xx. The areas of land acquisition yet to be handed over to the contractor for each of above construction work(s) as on : a. 31/03/2014, b. 31/03/2015 and c. 31/03/2016.

5. The information is asked in Public interests so as to eradicate the corruption & dirty nexus existing in MORTH & NHAI with the sole aim to stop further loss to Public exchequer. The complete information as sought may be provided in the format(s) as maintained by the Public authority within 30 days of receipt this RTI Application in accordance with RTI Act stipulations.

6. Prescribed Fees of Rs 10/- is deposited through the enclosed IPO No: 32F 068720.

Yours Truly

Sushil Raaja  
Advocate  
(Sushil Raaja)

Id. no. 32F 068720 ₹ 10/-

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