

F. No. 29-01/2023-Estt./RTI
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Directorate of Extension

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Dated the 9 April, 2024

To,
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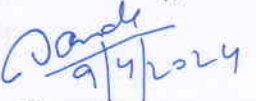
Subject:- Supply of Information under RTI Act, 2005 – Application received from Sh. Mantu Talukdar, Assam vide Registration No.DOEXT/R/T/24/00030 dated 26-03-2024– reg.

Sir,
I am to refer to your RTI application dated 26-03-2024 seeking information on the subject cited above under the RTI Act, 2005. So far as the Directorate of Extension is concerned, the requisite information is given as under:

	Information Sought	Reply
1.	Is the Deptt. of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare has signed an MoU with Digital Green? If yes, please provide copy of the MoU. Also, please provide the information regarding total budget for this MoU committed by the Digital Green? How much fund is spent by Digital Green on this MoU as on Feb, 2024?	The information sought by the applicant are in the form of questions. As per Section 2 (f) of RTI Act, 2005, answers cannot be provided for questions like, 'Is', 'Did', 'How', 'What', etc. Only available information can be furnished and no hypothetical information can be provided under RTI Act, 2005.
2.	Is there any fund commitment from the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare for implementation of the activities agreed in the MoU with Digital Green? What are the fund details and how much fund the Department has already spent till February, 2024?	
3.	Did the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare conducted the background check of the Digital Green before signing the MoU? If yes, please provide the details of the background checks conducted by the Department.	
4.	Did the background check of the Digital Green included the ongoing and reported cases under POSH (Prevention of Sexual Harassment) by the Digital Green to appropriate authorities? If yes, please provide the details. Is the Department aware of the measures the organization has taken to abate the numerous POSH complaints and make the organization a safe space for its women employees?	
5.	Is the Department aware that the a senior male employee at DG India who is also a point person for the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, has an ongoing POSH (Prevention of Sexual Harassment) complaint against him? If yes, please provide the details, if No, please provide the reasons.	
6.	Is the Department willing to go ahead with the partnership of Digital Green even when the point person from Digital Green for the Department having an ongoing POSH (Prevention of Sexual Harassment) complain against him. If yes, please provide the reasons.	

2. It is to mention that the First Appeal, if any, against the reply of CPIO may be made to the First Appellate Authority within 30 days of receipt of this reply. The particulars of the First Appellate Authority are as follows:-

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Yours faithfully,


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1. Under Secretary (Extension) & CPIO, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, ND for information.
2. Section Officer (RTI), Deptt. of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
3. Dr. Jagdish Prasad Yadav, Joint Director/ IT Incharge, Krishi Vistar Bhavan, New Delhi with request to upload RTI reply on DOE website www.krishivistar.gov.in. Soft copy is being sent on e-mail.