



RTI matter/ Time Bound

Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs
New Delhi

No. E-551/01/2024-RTI

08 May 2024

To:



Subject: Information sought under Right to Information Act, 2005

Please refer to your RTI application Registration No. MOEAF/R/T/24/00189 (PMOIN/R/E/24/01553) which was received by the undersigned CPIO on 16 April 2024.


2. With regard to the information requested at point 1, this Ministry's recent press release on '29th Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs' and earlier press releases dated 06 August 2021 and 09 September 2022 are enclosed.
3. With regard to the information requested at point 2, the response of Shri Randhir Jaiswal, Official Spokesperson, MEA, to media queries on renaming places in Arunachal Pradesh by China, is enclosed.
4. With regard to the information requested at point no. 5, the relevant documents pertaining to point 1 & 2 have been enclosed as mentioned above.
5. It is also stated that under the provisions of RTI Act 2005, a CPIO/ Public Authority is under obligation to provide an applicant only that information which exists in records and that which is held by or under the control of that authority. The undersigned CPIO has no further information on this.
6. If you are aggrieved with this reply, you may file an appeal to Shri Aniket G. Mandavgane, Director (East Asia) & Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi -110001, within a month from the date of receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully,


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 What's New

29th Meeting of the Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs

 March 28, 2024


The 29th meeting of the Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs (WMCC) was held on 27 March 2024 in Beijing. Joint Secretary (East Asia) from the Ministry of External Affairs led the Indian delegation. The Chinese delegation was led by Director General of the Boundary & Oceanic Department of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

2. The two sides had an in-depth exchange of views on how to achieve complete disengagement and resolve the remaining issues along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the Western Sector of India-China border areas.


3. In the interim, both sides agreed to maintain regular contact through diplomatic and military channels and on the need to uphold peace and tranquility on the ground in the border areas in accordance with existing bilateral agreements and protocols.

New Delhi

March 28, 2024


 What's New

Disengagement at Patrolling Point 17A


 August 06, 2021

1. As conveyed earlier this week, the twelfth round of talks between the Corps Commanders of India and China were held on 31 July 2021 at Chushul Moldo Meeting Point in Eastern Ladakh.
2. The two sides had a candid and in-depth exchange of views on resolution of remaining areas related to disengagement along the Line of Actual Control in the Western Sector of India-China border areas. As an outcome of the meeting, both sides agreed on disengagement in the area of Gogra. The troops in this area have been in a face-off situation since May last year.
3. As per the agreement, both sides have ceased forward deployments in this area in a phased, coordinated and verified manner. The disengagement process was carried out over two days i.e. 04 and 05 August 2021. The troops of both sides are now in their respective permanent bases.
4. All temporary structures and other allied infrastructure created in the area by both sides have been dismantled and mutually verified. The landform in the area has been restored by both sides to pre-stand off period.
5. This agreement ensures that the LAC in this area will be strictly observed and respected by both sides, and that there is no unilateral change in status quo.
6. With this one more sensitive area of face-off has been resolved. Both sides have expressed commitment to take the talks forward and resolve the remaining issues along the LAC in the Western Sector.
7. The Indian Army along with ITBP is totally committed to ensure the sovereignty of the nation and maintain peace & tranquility along the LAC in the Western Sector.

New Delhi
August 06, 2021

 What's New

Official Spokesperson's response to media queries on disengagement at area Gogra-Hot Springs (PP-15)

 September 09, 2022

In response to media queries on disengagement at area Gogra-Hot Springs (PP-15), the Official Spokesperson, Shri Arindam Bagchi said:

"The sixteenth round of talks between the Corps Commanders of India and China was held at Chushul Moldo Meeting Point on 17 July 2022. Since then, the two sides had maintained regular contact to build on the progress achieved during the talks to resolve the relevant issues along the LAC in the Western Sector of India-China border areas.

As a result, both sides have now agreed on disengagement in the area of Gogra-Hot Springs (PP-15).

As per the agreement, the disengagement process in this area started on 08 September 2022 at 0830 hrs and will be completed by 12 September 2022. The two sides have agreed to cease forward deployments in this area in a phased, coordinated and verified manner, resulting in the return of the troops of both sides to their respective areas.

It has been agreed that all temporary structures and other allied infrastructure created in the area by both sides will be dismantled and mutually verified. The landforms in the area will be restored to pre-stand-off period by both sides.

The agreement ensures that the LAC in this area will be strictly observed and respected by both sides, and that there will be no unilateral change in status quo.

With the resolution of stand-off at PP-15, both sides mutually agreed to take the talks forward and resolve the remaining issues along LAC and restore peace and tranquility in India-China border areas."


New Delhi
September 09,2022

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 What's New

Official Spokesperson's response to media queries on renaming places in Arunachal Pradesh by China

 April 02, 2024

In response to media queries on renaming places in Arunachal Pradesh by China, the Official Spokesperson, Shri Randhir Jaiswal said:

"China has persisted with its senseless attempts to rename places in the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh. We firmly reject such attempts. Assigning invented names will not alter the reality that Arunachal Pradesh is, has been, and will always be an integral and inalienable part of India."

New Delhi

April 02, 2024

RTI REQUEST DETAILS (आरटीआई अनुरोध विवरण)

Registration Number (पंजीकरण संख्या) :	MOEAF/R/T/24/00189	Date of Receipt (प्राप्ति की तारीख) :	15/04/2024
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Remarks (टिप्पणी) :	The RTI application is being transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 with request to provide the information directly to the applicant. It is also requested to forward the same to the concerned Public Authority, if it is not related to your Ministry/Department.		
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To,
The Public Information Officer
Prime Minister's Office
New Delhi

Subject: Request for Information under the Right to Information Act,
2005

Sir/Madam,

I am writing to request details regarding recent developments pertaining to border disputes and diplomatic relations between India and neighboring countries, particularly with regards to the following points:

- The reported loss of about 1,000 square kilometers of Indian territory in Ladakh to Chinese control in 2020, as per intelligence inputs provided to the Union government. Despite twenty-eight rounds of negotiations between the two countries, the deadlock remains unresolved.
- The renaming of 11 places in Arunachal Pradesh by China, claiming them as part of South Tibet. This action is anticipated to deepen mistrust between New Delhi and Beijing, amid the ongoing strained bilateral relations.
- The formal exchange of 162 enclaves between India and Bangladesh on August 1, 2015. This exchange marks the end of a

centuries-old territorial anomaly and concludes a process of land and population exchange initiated in the 1950s.

Given the significance of these developments and their implications on national security and diplomatic relations, I kindly request the following information:

1. Provide certified copies of documents stating the updates on the status of negotiations and efforts undertaken by the Ministry of External Affairs to address the border dispute with China in Ladakh, including any progress made or challenges encountered in resolving the deadlock.
2. Provide certified copies of documents stating the PMO and Govt of India response and diplomatic actions taken in light of China's renaming of places in Arunachal Pradesh, and measures planned or implemented to safeguard India's territorial integrity and maintain diplomatic relations with China.
3. Provide certified copies of documents stating Information on the outcomes and any subsequent developments related to the formal exchange of enclaves between India and Bangladesh in 2015, including the impact of the exchange on bilateral relations and any ongoing efforts to address border-related issues with Bangladesh.
4. Also Provide certified copies of documents mentioning information on actions taken or initiatives taken by External Affairs ministry, Modi Govt to resolve Russia and Ukraine conflict.

5. Additionally, I would appreciate it if you could provide any relevant documents, reports, or official statements issued by the Ministry regarding these matters for matters mentioned in Point 1 to 5.

As a concerned citizen, I believe that transparency and timely dissemination of information regarding such critical issues are essential for maintaining public trust and ensuring informed public discourse. Therefore, I request your prompt attention and response to this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this request. I look forward to receiving the requested information at the earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Yours sincerely,



ACTION HISTORY OF RTI REQUEST No.MOEAF/R/T/24/00189

Applicant Name

Text of Application

Please route this attached RTI in PDF to the concerned PIO

Reply of Application

SN.	Action Taken	Date of Action	Action Taken By	Remarks
1	RTI REQUEST RECEIVED	15/04/2024	Nodal Officer	PMOIN/R/E/24/01553
2	REQUEST FORWARDED TO CPIO	16/04/2024	Nodal Officer	Forwarded to CPIO(s) : (1) US (MEA-N)
3	REQUEST TRANSFERRED TO OTHER CPIO	16/04/2024	US (MEA-N)- (CPIO)	Transferred to CPIO(s) : (1) DS (China), Ms. Priyanka Sohoni, (2) US (Bangladesh) Ms. Juhi Rai, (3) US (Eurasia), Sh. Kulwant Singh

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