Dear Sir,

Please refer to your D.O. No.380/40/C/7/2009-ES.II dated 9th December, 2009 and subsequent letter dated 26th November, 2010 regarding quarterly progress on the flagship programmes, initiatives and iconic projects being reviewed under the Delivery Monitoring Unit (DMU) mechanism.

2. The quarterly DMU report has been displayed under the RTI Icon on this Department’s website www.persmin.nic.in and on the RTI Portal www.rti.gov.in. It is being updated every quarter.

3. During the quarter ending 30th September, 2012, following activities have been undertaken:

(a) An upgraded online certificate course on the RTI in English was started from 30th July, 2012.

(b) In WP No.210/2012 filed by Shri Namit Sharma Vs. UOI in the Supreme Court challenging the validity of Sections 12(5) and 15(5) of the RTI Act, 2005, wherein the Hon’ble Court in its order dated 13.9.2012 has inter-alia pronounced that the Information Commissions are judicial tribunals and these should adjudicate the appeals/complaints by forming Benches having two members each, one with judicial background and another being an expert member. It has been decided to file a petition for review of the Supreme Court order.

(c) An OM advising public authorities to proactively disclose the details of foreign and domestic official tours undertaken by Member(s) and Officials of the rank of Joint Secretary to the Government of India and above and head of Department since 1st January, 2012 has been issued on 11th September, 2012.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(P.K. Misra)

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