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Sub: Information sought under RTI Act 2005 by Shri Roshan Shah – First Appeal

Sir,

Reference your RTI Application No. PMOIN/R/2015/61226 dated 17 May 2015, received on transfer from PMO to CPIO, MEA on 30 July 2015 seeking information on Bhagavad Gita book reportedly presented to the President of the USA. The CPIO had responded to the said application vide letter No. DII/551/12/2015-Sh Shah dated 27.08.2015.

2. The CPIO had responded that no information exists in the records under the custody of the CPIO as far the information sought by the appellant is concerned.

3. It is pointed out that only such information can be supplied under the RTI Act that is available and existing and is held under the control of public authority. The CPIO is not supposed to furnish information drawing inferences/making assumptions/interpreting information. The same stance was upheld by Hon'ble Supreme Court on Right to Information Act 2005 in Civil Appeal NO. 6454 of 2011, arising out of SLP [C] NO. 7526/2009 in the case of CBSE & Anr. Vs. Aditya Bandopadhyay & Ors. The undersigned is in concurrence with the stand taken by the CPIO.

4. Therefore, the appeal is being disposed off accordingly.


(Jaideep Mazumdar)

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