

ACTION HISTORY OF RTI REQUEST No.FSOID/R/E/25/00095

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| Applicant Name       | Sophiya Mathew                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Text of Application  | <p>I request the following information: 1. A copy of latest FSI internal assessment/report (including district-wise maps) on the Aravalli Hills, submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) in or around September 2025, including any annexures, GIS-based analyses, slope and elevation criteria, and any notes on ecological/wind-barrier functions of lower hills. 2. Copies of all communications, file notes, observations, objections, or comments sent by FSI to MoEFCC between January 2024 and December 2025 regarding: a) identifying Aravalli Hills b) slope/elevation criteria (3-degree, 4.57-degree, 30m, 100m cut-off, etc.) c) implications of adopting a 100-metre height definition d) feedback on drafts prepared by the Technical Sub-Committee or the committee chaired by the Environment Secretary. 3. Minutes of meetings, consultations, or correspondence between FSI and the Technical Sub-Committee (TSC) formed in 2024 that involved FSI, GSI, and Survey of India regarding the definition of Aravalli Hills and Ranges. 4. Copies of internal FSI file notings or technical comments dealing with the environmental consequences of excluding hills below 100m in height from the Aravalli definition (including wind-barrier, dust movement, or ecological connectivity assessments). 5. A copy of any draft reports or presentations prepared by FSI on Aravalli delineation (2010, 2024, and 2025 versions), including proposed slope and elevation criteria and buffer recommendations. 6. Details of whether FSI formally submitted any objections or reservations regarding the adoption of the 100-metre height criterion by MoEFCC, and copies of the same. 7. If any version of the FSI report was modified, redacted, or withheld before being shared with MoEFCC or presented before the Supreme Court, kindly provide: a) the original version, b) the modified version, and c) the noting/order authorising the modification. 8. Name, designation, and tenure of the officer(s) who signed or authorised the final FSI submissions sent to MoEFCC relating to Aravalli definitions during 2024-25. If any of the requested documents are held in electronic form, I request them in the same electronic format (PDF/GIS layers/shape files/PowerPoint etc.).</p> |
| Reply of Application | Please find the attached document for the information sought.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

| SN. | Action Taken                                | Date of Action | Action Taken By            | Remarks                                                                               |
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| 1   | RTI REQUEST RECEIVED                        | 04/12/2025     | Nodal Officer              |                                                                                       |
| 2   | REQUEST FORWARDED TO CPIO                   | 04/12/2025     | Nodal Officer              | Forwarded to CPIO(s) : (1) Sugandha Srivastava                                        |
| 3   | ADDITIONAL PAYMENT REQUIRED FOR INFORMATION | 29/12/2025     | Sugandha Srivastava-(CPIO) | An additional amount of RS. 6400 (for 3200 pages) is required for information sought. |
| 4   | REQUEST DISPOSED OF                         | 15/01/2026     | Sugandha Srivastava-(CPIO) |                                                                                       |

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दिनांक: 15 जनवरी, 2026

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**Sub :- Information under RTI Act, 2005.**

**Ref :- Your RTI Application No. FSOID/R/E/25/00095 dated 04.12.2025,**  
**additional amount, email dated 08.01.2026 and 09.01.2026.**

महोदया,

उपरोक्त विषय और संदर्भ में आपको सूचित किया जाता है कि आपके आवेदन पत्र के द्वारा मांगी सूचना सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के अन्तर्गत प्रक्रिया में है। अतः यह कहना है कि -

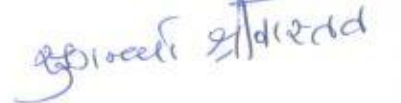
The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its order dated 09.05.2024 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 4677/1985 in the matter of M.C. Mehta vs Union of India & Others, inter-alia, directed to constitute a Committee to have a uniform definition of the Aravalli Hills and Ranges. The report of the Committee has been submitted to Hon'ble Supreme Court. The Hon'ble Supreme Court, vide Order dated 29.12.2025 in suo-moto Writ Petition (Civil) No. 10/2025, has inter-alia directed that the recommendations submitted by the Committee, together with the findings and directions stipulated by this Court in its judgment dated 20.11.2025, be kept in abeyance and this stay shall remain in effect until the present proceedings reach a state of logical finality.

अतः आपकी आवेदन संख्या FSOID/R/E/25/00095 दिनांक 04.12.2025 के माध्यम से मांगी गई जानकारी उक्त मामलों से संबंधित है जो वर्तमान में न्यायालय में विचाराधीन हैं, इसलिए सूचना का खुलासा सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 की धारा 8 के प्रावधानों के अनुसार नहीं किया जा सकता है।

2. यदि आप इस उत्तर से संतुष्ट नहीं हैं तो इस पत्र की प्राप्ति की तिथि से तीस दिनों के भीतर आप निम्नांकित प्रथम अपीलीय प्राधिकारी के समक्ष अपील दायर कर सकते हैं।

सुश्री शिवानी डोगरा, (प्रथम अपीलीय अधिकारी)  
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15/01/26