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Bank of India

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Ref: HO/RTI/CPIO/PK/475

Date: 31.07.2024

Sh. Bajrang Lal Sharma
Plot No. 1C/67, Sector-9,
C.D.A. Cuttack 753014

Sir,

Your Application under Right to Information Act, 2005

We refer to your RTI application dated 04.07.2024 received by us on 11.07.2024 under the RTI Act.

2. On perusal of your RTI Application, we may inform you that information regarding rate of interest on long term deposits as on 06.12.2013 is related to more than 10 years old data. Further the rate of interest varies from time to time and therefore, the procurement and compilation of the information sought by you would disproportionately divert the resources of public authority as provided under Section 7(9) of the RTI Act and further no larger public interest warrants disclosure of the same and hence we are unable to provide you the same. In this regard, we invite your attention to the judgement of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) & anr. v. Aditya Bandopadhyay and others [(2011) 8 SCC 49], the Hon'ble Supreme Court observed as follows:

"37.Indiscriminate and impractical demands or directions under RTI Act for disclosure of all and sundry information (unrelated to transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities and eradication of corruption) would be counter-productive as it will adversely affect the efficiency of the administration and result in the executive getting bogged down with the non-productive work of collecting and furnishing information. The Act should not be allowed to be misused or abused, to become a tool to obstruct the national development and integration, or to destroy the peace, tranquility and harmony among its citizens. Nor should it be converted into a tool of oppression or intimidation of honest officials striving to do their duty. The nation does not want a scenario where 75% of the staff of public authorities spends 75% of their time in collecting and furnishing information to applicants instead of discharging their regular duties. The threat of penalties under the RTI Act and the pressure of the authorities under the RTI Act should not lead to employees of a public authorities prioritizing 'information furnishing', at the cost of their normal and regular duties."

3. In terms of Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, Shri Sanjib Sarkar, General Manager (ARD& Law) Bank of India, Head Office, 4th floor, Star House, C-5, "G" Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East) Mumbai-400051, is the first Appellate Authority under the Act, to whom appeal can be filed within 30 days of receipt of CPIO's reply.

(A. Sasikumar)

Central Public Information Officer

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