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APPENDIX-FORM

(See Rule 3) (Application for Information under Right to Information Act 2005)

Date: 01st July, 2013

To

The Public Information Officer (PIO), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, South Block, **NEW DELHI-110 011.**

- 1) Full Name of the applicant: Panikkaveettil K. Jabir
- 2) Address: Overseas Indians' Legal Cell, 5th Floor, Metro Plaza Building, Market Road, Near High Court, Kochi, Kerala Pin. 682 014.
- 3) Particulars of information required: Please provide certified copies of the information and documents in public interest with file notes and correspondence file U/S 6 (1), 6 (3) of the RTI Act in regards with letter No.4393/JS(GD)/2012 dated May 2, 2013 from Shri A.R. Ghanashyam, Joint Secretary (Gulf & Hajj), Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, on recommendation cum representation for an "Indo-Gulf Reparation Mechanisms". (Enclosed).

Migrant Cell:

- 1. When was the 'Migrant Cell' under the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs established?
- 2. Is there a representative body and office in UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Oman, Bahrain and other countries of the world? If yes, please furnish the addresses of those offices.
- 3. Please provide the nature of cases and details of successful cases handled by the Migrant Cell for the last 4 years.

MOU with GCC:

4. What are the 'Several Institutional Arrangements in place' (including Agreements) with Gulf Countries for assistance to Indian Citizens in the GCC Countries?

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- 5. Please provide details of MoU's signed in the field of Manpower Sourcing with the UAE and other GCC countries
- 6. Does the MOU's protect the welfare of Indian migrants under the Labour Law and regulations of the host countries?

Reparation Fund:

- 7. What is the structure of the Reparation Fund functional under Indian Missions in the Gulf?
- 8. What forms of reparation benefits including material support are available to those in distress?
- 9. Please furnish the addresses of those offices and whom to contact in cases of distress?

Endnote:

10. Please provide reason that India is not prohibiting emigration to the countries which do not protect the emigrants/or/contract workers from discrimination, maltreatment and exploitation; according to the Emigration act, 1983 Miscellaneous 31 (b) it may, possible by notification, prohibit emigration to that country for a period, not exceeding six months on each occasion, as may be specified in the notification.

If the information sought for is held by another Public /authority, or the subject matter of the information required is more closely connected with the functions of another public authority, this Application or such part of this application may be forwarded to that Public Authority as required under Section.6 (3) of the RTI Act.

Yours faithfully,

Panikkaveettil K. Jabir

Email: info@legalcell.com

Enclosures:

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- 1. Original Postal Order for Rs.10.00, No.00F 983381 dated 20-11-2012.
 - 2. Copy of letter No.4393/JS(GD)/2012 dated May 2, 2013 from Shri A.R. Ghanashyam, Joint Secretary (Gulf & Hajj).

Principal Resource:

'INDO-GULF REPARATION MECHANISMS' TIMELINE HIGHLIGHTING SUBMISSIONS & RESPONSES

 $\underline{http://www.lawyersindia.com/outsourcing/indo-gulf-reparation-mechanisms-timeline-highlighting-submissions-responses.html}$