Consulate General of India Birgunj ***

RTI Act, 2005

INFORMATION ABOUT THE Consulate General of India, Birgunj REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 4(1)(B) OF THE Right to Information Act, 2005

(i)	The particulars of its organization, functions and duties;	The Consulate General of India, Birgunj is headed by Consul General and has the following 4 Wings: (i) Administration, Education & Economic Cooperation Wing (ii) Political, Consular & States Wing (iii) Economic, Commercial & Customs Wing (iv). Information, Culture & Security Wing. Each Wing is headed by a Consul of First Secretary/Second Secretary rank officer. The Consulate functions within the purview of business allocated to the Ministry of External Affairs under the Government of India's Allocation of Business Rules and Transaction of Business Rules and in accordance of administrative and financial powers delegated by the Ministry to the Indian Missions/Posts abroad. The functions of the Consulate inter alia, include economic cooperation, trade and investment promotion, cultural interaction, press and media liaison, community affairs and providing passport and consular services. The jurisdiction of the Consulate covers 8 districts of Nepal namely Parsa, Bara, Rautahat, Sarlahi, Mahottari, Dhanusha, Chitwan and Makawanpur.
(ii)	the powers and duties of its officers and employees;	General Administrative powers are derived from IFS (PLCA) Rules, 1961as amended from time to time. Financial powers of the Officers of the Consulate General of India have been detailed in the Delegated Financial powers of the Government of India's Representatives Abroad. Other powers are derived from the Passport Act of India. The Officers of the Consulate function under the guidance and supervision of the Consul General.
(iii)	the procedure followed in the decision making process, including channels of supervision and accountability;	Decisions are taken as per extant rules and guidelines, where applicable and under the instruction and supervision of the Consul General.
(iv)	the norms set by it for the discharge of its functions;	Norms are set under the instruction and supervision of the Consul General.

(v)	the rules, regulations, instructions, manuals and records, held by it or under its control or used by its employees for discharging its functions;	IFS (PLCA) Rules, 1961 and its annexures giving decisions taken by the Government under the Rules; Delegated Financial Powers of Government of India's Representatives Abroad Rules; The Passport Act; Manuals on Office Procedures; Other Central Government Rules and Manuals published by the Central Government.
(vi)	a statement of the categories of documents that are held by it or under its control;	Documents/files relating to India's external relations; Documents/files including joint statements, declarations, notifications, agreements and MOUs; Passport and consular services application forms.
(vii)	the particulars of any arrangement that exists for consultation with, or representation by, the members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policy or implementation thereof;	The Consulate General of India functions within the norms of India's foreign policy formulated by the Ministry of External Affairs. Policy is implemented by the Consulate under the guidance and supervision of the Consul General and the Ambassador of India to Nepal.
(viii)	a statement of the boards, councils, committees and other bodies consisting of two or more persons constituted as its part or for the purpose of its advice, and as to whether meetings of those boards, councils, committees and other bodies are open to the public, or the minutes of such meetings are accessible for public;	The Consulate interacts regularly with representatives of think tanks, academic community, educational institutions, Nepal India Friendship Association and other such organizations.
(ix)	a directory of its officers and employees;	A directory of Officers is given at <u>Annexure-I.</u>
(x)	the monthly remuneration received by each of its officers and employees, including the system of compensation as provided in its regulations;	The monthly remuneration drawn by the Officers and Officials are as per the rules made by the Government of India and is given at <u>Annexure-II.</u>
(xi)	the budget allocated to each of its agency, indicating the particulars of all plans, proposed expenditures and reports on disbursements made;	The budget figures for the current financial year are given in the statement at <u>Annexure-III.</u>

(xii)	the manner of execution of subsidy programmes, including the amounts allocated and the details of beneficiaries of such	The Consulate General of India does not have any subsidy programme.
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(xiii)	particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorizations granted by it;	No concessions/permits are granted by the Consulate General of India.
(xiv)	details in respect of the information, available to or held by it, reduced in an electronic form;	The Consulate website has the required information. The Consulate makes available to interested individuals various CDs and DVDs containing information on India, its people and culture.
(xv)	the particulars of facilities available to citizens for obtaining information, including the working hours of a library or reading room, if maintained for public use;	The Embassy is open from 0900 hrs to 1730 hrs. from Monday to Friday. The holidays observed by the Consulate are given on the website https://www.cgibirgunj.gov.in The Consulate has a library-cum-reading room where Indian newspapers, magazines and journals are available. The library-cum- reading room is open for public from 0900 to 1730 hrs. on each working day.
(xvi)	the names, designations and other particulars of the Public Information Officers;	Central Public Information Officer (CPIO): Shri Tarun Kumar, Consul (P&E) & HOC Telephone No. 00-977-51-53-2233 E-mail: hoc.birgunj@mea.gov.in Appellate Authority: Shri Devi Sahai Meena, Consul General Telephone No. 00-977-51-532211 E-mail: cg.birgunj@mea.gov.in
(xvii)	such other information as may be prescribed & thereafter update these publications every year;	The Consulate website has information which is updated on a regular basis.