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RTI Matter
Speed Post

F. No. Z-18011/7/2020-FM Section-MOWR
Government of India / Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Water Resources, RD & GR
(Flood Management Wing)

Block No. 11, CGO Complex,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
Dated : 8th June, 2020

To,
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Registration Number: MOWRC/R/P/20/00062

Sir,

In reference to your online RTI application bearing date of receipt 11-05-2020 under RTI Act, 2005, as far FM Wing, DoWR, RD & GR is concerned, the information is as under:

Question (1) The list of all the meetings of Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission (JRC) since inception are enclosed as Annexure-1.

Under section 8 (1)-(a) and section 8 (1)-(f) of the RTI Act-2005 the discussion regarding dredging of Ichamati river cannot be provided.

Question (2) In the last 37th meeting of JRC, it was decided that no further study is required as the dredging of Ichamati river has already been undertaken. A Joint Monitoring Team of India and Bangladesh was setup by the Government for dredging of Ichamati river along the common border of India and Bangladesh for a total length of about 20.415 Km from Angrail to Kaslanchi in a 2 years program from March, 2010 to June, 2011. This Joint Monitoring Team involved Ganga Flood Control Commission, Patna from the Indian side. As per the closure Report of this Joint Monitoring Team dated 18th June, 2011, dredging activities completed successfully.

Question (3) Project Desilting of Ichamati River along common/border rivers with Bangladesh was taken up under River Management Activities and Works related to Border Areas (RMBA) scheme of this Ministry and so far Central Assistance of Rs. 36.7205 Cr. has been released to State Government of West Bengal.

Question (4) The matter related to dredging of Ichamati river along the common border of Bangladesh and India was under discussion with Bangladesh at various bilateral forums under JRC since the year 2005.

Question (5) & (6) Information not available in this office.

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In case, you are not satisfied with the information provided, you may also file an appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within thirty days from the date of receipt of this letter.

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Yours faithfully,



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Annexure-1**List of all the India-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission meetings since inception in 1972**

1. First Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi on 25th and 26th June, 1972.
2. Second Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 28th to 30th September, 1972.
3. Third Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi from 11th to 13th December, 1972.
4. Fourth Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 29th to 31st March, 1973.
5. Fifth Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi from 19th to 21st July, 1973.
6. Sixth Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 8th to 10th November, 1973.
7. Seventh Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi from 28th Feb, to 2nd March, 1974.
8. Eighth Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 6th to 12th June, 1974.
9. Ninth Meeting of JRC held in Calcutta on 17th July, 1974.
10. Tenth Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 29th Aug to 2nd Sep, 1974.
11. Eleventh Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi from 28th Sep to 4th October and in Dacca from 16th to 20th November, 1974.
12. Twelfth Meeting of JRC held in New Delhi from 31st December, 1974 to 7th January, 1975.
13. Thirteenth Meeting of JRC held in Dacca from 19th to 21st June, 1975.
14. Fourteenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dacca from 20th to 24th January, 1978.
15. Fifteenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 5th to 11th July, 1978.
16. Sixteenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dacca on the 6th November, 1978 and 8th to 10th Dec, 1978.
17. Seventeenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 8th to 12th May, 1979 and 16-20th November, 1979 at Dhaka.
18. Eighteenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 26th to 28th April, 1980.
19. Nineteenth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dacca from 8th to 11th July, 1980.
20. Twentieth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 29th to 31st August, 1980.
21. Twenty First Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dacca from 26th to 28th February, 1982.
22. Twenty Second Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dacca on 28th August, 1982.
23. Twenty Third Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 22th to 24th December, 1982.
24. Twenty Fourth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka from 2nd to 4th February, 1983.

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25. Twenty Fifth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka from 18th to 20th July, 1983.
26. Twenty Sixth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 13th to 15th February, 1984 and 29-31st March, 1984 at Dhaka.
27. Twenty Seventh Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 14th to 16th December, 1984.
28. Twenty Eighth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka from 1st to 4th June, 1985.
29. Twenty Nine Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi from 11th May, 1987.
30. Thirtieth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in New Delhi on 18th to 19th April, 1990.
31. Thirty First Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka on 21st to 22th June, 1990.
32. Thirty Second Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka on 19th to 20th July, 1997.
33. Thirty Third Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held at New Delhi on 9th to 10th April, 1999.
34. Thirty Fourth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka on 12th to 13th January, 2001.
35. Thirty Fifth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held at New Delhi on 29th to 30th September, 2003.
36. Thirty Sixth Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held in Dhaka from 19th to 21st September, 2005.
37. Thirty Seventh Meeting of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission held at New Delhi from 17th to 20th March, 2010.