No.

9 December 2014

Shri Dinesh RM 17, Chairman Sabapathy street, Pin - 606803,

Please refer to your RTI application No.61185 dated 30.11.2014

2. The applicant has requested for the following information:

## Question:

- 1. How many Tamil Nadu fishermen in Sri lanka Prisons
- 2. What are the cases filed on them
- 3. What are the necessary steps to release from there by Indian Government
- 4. How many Srilankan Fishermen in Indian Prisons
- 5. what are the status of them

I need full details of Tamil Nadu and Sri Lanka fishermen

3. The information sought by the applicant is as follows:

As per 9 December, 2014 the number of Indian Fisherman in Sri Lankan Jails, on alleged fishery related violations, is as follows:

Total Number of Fishermen Arrested (in 2014, as on date) – 744 Total Number of Fishermen Released (in 2014, as on date) -706 Total number of Fishermen Still in Sri Lankan Jail – 38

As on date, there are 40 Sri Lankan fishermen in Indian jails on fishery related violations. 30 of the Sri Lankan fishermen are currently lodged in Tamil Nadu jails whereas 10 are in Andhra Pradesh jails. In the above cases, the necessary legal recourse is under process.

Government attaches the highest importance to the safety, security and welfare of Indian fishermen. Government has consistently taken up issues relating to detention/arrest of Indian fishermen with the Sri Lankan Government with a view to ensure that our fishermen can continue to pursue their livelihood in a safe, secure and sustainable manner.

4. In case you prefer to appeal, you may write to Smt. Suchitra Durai, Joint Secretary (SM & IOR) & Appellate Authority, SM& IOR Division, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi-110001 within a month from the date of receipt of this letter.

(Vishwesh Negi)

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RTII	REQUEST DETAILS		
Registration No. :	MOEAF/R/2014/61185	Date of Receipt :	30/11/2014
Type of Receipt :	Online Receipt	Language of Request:	English
Name:	dinesh rm	Gender:	Male
Address:	17, chairman sabapathy street, Pin:606803		
State:	Tamilnadu	Country:	India
Phone No. :	Details not provided	Mobile No. :	+91- 9486275878
Email :	dinayuva@gmail.com	n by Indian Govern	iment.
Status(Rural/Urban):	Rural	Education Status :	Above Graduate
Is Requester Below Poverty Line?:	No	Citizenship Status	Indian
Amount Paid :	10	Mode of Payment	Payment Gateway
Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? :	Details not provided.	Request Pertains to:	DS (SL)
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