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23 January 2014

Please refer to your RTI Application No. MOEAF/R/2014/61248 dated 25.12.2014 and received in this Ministry on 30 December 2014.

2. The applicant has requested for the following information:

Question:

*"I would like to know so far and till now.*

- 1. The overall rehabilitation provided to the Sri Lankan Tamils by the Indian Government.*
- 2. The amount which gave to the Srilankan Government by the Indian Government for the welfare and rehabilitation of the Sri Lankan Tamils.*

3. With respect to this Division of the Ministry, the responses available for the information sought by the applicant is as follows:

Since the end of the conflict in Sri Lanka in May 2009, which left around 3,00,000 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) living in camps in Northern Sri Lanka and general devastation of infrastructure, the focus and highest and most immediate priority for the Government of India has been on the welfare and well being of the Tamils citizens of Sri Lanka, their relief and rehabilitation and the reconstruction of infrastructure in the affected areas.

The initial phase of Indian assistance included dispatch of 2.6 lakh family relief packs; deployment of an emergency field hospital; dispatch of consignments of medicines; gifting of more than 10,400 metric tons of shelter material and 4 lakh cement bags; deployment of de-mining teams in Northern Sri Lanka; and holding of artificial limb fitment camps in Jaffna and Vavuniya in Northern Sri Lanka.

Since 2009, Gol has committed developmental assistance worth US\$1.3 billion as grants and Lines of Credits for various projects for the rehabilitation of IDPs and reconstruction of infrastructure in the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka. Some of the important projects undertaken under this programme are as below

- Gol is undertaking its largest ever development assistance project in the world in Sri Lanka: the construction of 50,000 houses in the North, East and Central provinces worth Rs 1372 crores. A Pilot Project of 1000 houses was completed in August 2012 and construction of 43,000 houses under the 'owner driven model' commenced on 2 October 2012. As of 31 Dec 2014, 26,000 units completed. The entire project is expected to be completed by 2015-16.
- The major infrastructure projects include development of rail (Northern Railway project worth Rs 4000 crores) and port infrastructure (dredging of Kankesanthurai harbour) and rehabilitation of runway at the Palaly airport.
- Renovation of schools (79 in total) and setting up of vocational training centres at Batticaloa, Nuwara Eliya & Heliboda has been completed and upgradation of 70 child care centres is in the pipeline,

- Hospitals are being constructed in Vavuniya (Northern Province) and Dickoya (Central Province),
- Livelihood and employment generation projects in the area of agriculture, fishing, small enterprises, handicrafts, creation of industrial zone (Atchchuvely) have been undertaken,
- Empowerment of war-affected women of the Eastern Province by providing self-employment-oriented vocational training through SEWA to assist them to earn their livelihood,
- Assistance from the Ministry of Human Resources Development for the implementation of the Trilingual policy,
- Restoration of the Tiruketheeswaram Temple in Mannar is currently under implementation,
- Assistance for Mahatma Gandhi Centre in Matale,
- Setting of the 500 MW Sampur (Trincomalee) Thermal Power project (by NTPC) which will not only provide electricity but also generate employment in the Eastern province, and
- The recently approved projects include restoration of Duraiappa stadium at Jaffna, construction of a Cultural Centre at Jaffna, setting up of Faculties of Engineering and of Agriculture at Kilinochchi (Northern Province), gifting of 7 vehicles to the Northern Provincial Council and renovation of 70 child day care centres in the Northern Province.

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 – 110011 within a month from the date of receipt of this letter.

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1. US (RTI). W.r.t. RTI Application Registration No. MOEAF/R/2014/61248 dated 25/12/2014

## RTI REQUEST DETAILS

<b>Registration No. :</b>	MOEAF/R/2014/00837	<b>Date of Receipt :</b>	30/12/2014
<b>Type of Receipt :</b>	Local Receipt	<b>Language of Request :</b>	English
<b>Name :</b>	Shri Somasundaram	<b>Gender :</b>	Male
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<b>Email :</b>	Details not provided		
<b>Status(Rural/Urban) :</b>	Details not provided	<b>Education Status :</b>	Details not provided
<b>Letter No. :</b>	Details not provided	<b>Letter Date :</b>	25/12/2014
<b>Is Requester Below Poverty Line ? :</b>	No	<b>Citizenship Status</b>	Indian
<b>Amount Paid :</b>	10	<b>Mode of Payment</b>	Cash
<b>Does it concern the life or Liberty of a Person ? :</b>	No(Normal)	<b>Request Pertains to :</b>	DS (SL)
<b>Information Sought :</b>	related to US (SL)		

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