

RTI APPLICATION FORM

To,
Shri V. Krishnaswamy
DS (RTI) – Nodal Officer
Ministry of Road Transport & Highway
Room no. 429, Transport Bhavan, 1,
Parliament Street,
New Delhi - 110001

Sir,

Subject : Request for information under Right to Information Act 2005

I, Sri Rustom J. Cama, Son of Sri Jehangir R J Cama, resident of Cama Court, Khanpur Road, Ahmedabad – 380001, Telephone number 079-25601374 and mobile number 9824034754, E-mail address rustomcama@camamotors.com, wish to seek information as under :

The action taken on the information and details provided vide our following letters regarding the major issue pertaining to faulty and highly dangerous vehicles manufactured by Mercedes Benz India Private Ltd. and their Parent Company Daimler AG :

1. **Regd. Post parcel dt.08/11/2011 addressed to Shri A K Upadhyay, The Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India, Transport Bhavan, 1, Sansad Marg, New Delhi – 110001**
2. Letter addressed to Mr. S R Marathe (Director), The Automotive Research Association of India, Survey no. 102, Veta Hill, Off. Paud Road, Kothrud, Pune – 411038, **dt.10/03/2011 and copy marked to Shri Anand Prakash, Director Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Ground Floor, Main Gate, Near Reception, Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi – 110001**
3. Letter addressed to Mr. S R Marathe (Director), The Automotive Research Association of India, Survey no. 102, Veta Hill, Off. Paud Road, Kothrud, Pune – 411038, **dt.24/02/2011 and copy marked to Shri Anand Prakash, Director Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Ground Floor, Main Gate, Near Reception, Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi – 110001**
4. **Letter addressed to Shri Anand Prakash dt. 08/12/2010 Director Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Ground Floor, Main Gate, Near Reception, Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi – 110001**
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I hereby inform that following formalities have been completed by me :

1. That I have deposited the requisite fee of Rs.100/- by way of Demand Draft favouring “Pay and Accounts Officer (Sectt.), Department of Road Transport & Highways, New Delhi”, dt. 29/12/2011 (DD is attached herewith) includes CD and zerox charges.

2. That I do not belong to Category of below Poverty Line (BPL).
3. That I am 'Citizen' of India and I am asking the information as 'Citizen'.
4. I assure that I shall not allow / cause to use / pass / share / display / or circulate the information received in any case and under any circumstances, with any person or in any manner which would be detrimental to the Unity and Sovereignty or against the interest of India.

Signature of the Applicant :
Dated : 30/12/2011



Address for Communication : Mr. Rustom J. Cama
C/o. Cama Motors Pvt. Ltd.
Rustom Cama Marg, Lal Darwaja, Ahmedabad - 380001
Tel. no. 079-25505281-86
E-mail address : rustomcama@camamotors.com

No.I-34014/95/2012-RTI
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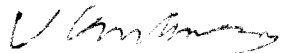
New Delhi, dated 14th Feb, 2012

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Application under the Right to Information Act, 2005 of Shri Rustom J. Cama, C/o Cama Motors Pvt Ltd, Rustom Cama Marg, Lal Darwaja, Ahmedabad-380001

Please find enclosed an application dated 30.12.2011 from Shri Rustom J. Cama, received in this Ministry on 14.02.2012 seeking information under the RTI Act, 2005 with the request that the reply/information sought by the applicant may be sent to him in accordance with the provisions of this Act. In case, it is decided that the information cannot be furnished to the applicant, the reasons for refusing the information, whether partial or full rejection, may be given in a speaking order stating clearly the relevant Section of the RTI, Act under which the information sought by the applicant has not been disclosed or furnished.

2. Application fee has been deposited by the applicant.
3. Exact amount of fee for providing information sought by the applicant, may also be worked out and intimated to him immediately requesting him to deposit the same either in cash at the Information & Facilitation Counter (IFC, RTI) of the Department at the ground floor of Transport Bhawan, or through Demand Draft/Bankers' cheque /Indian Postal Order payable to the "Pay and Accounts Officer (Sectt.), Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, New Delhi."
4. Full particulars viz., name and designation, full address with Telephone Number of the Appellate Authority may also be furnished to the applicant at the time of providing information/sending final reply, in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
5. Copies of all the communications to the applicant, including interim reply and final reply may be endorsed to DS(RTI) for updating the relevant records in RTI Section.
6. It is also requested that all replies, whether interim or final, may be issued to the applicant by **SPEED POST** to ensure delivery of the requisite information within the time frame prescribed in the Act.


[V. Krishnaswamy]

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India&CPIO

Encl: As above

To,

1. Shri U.D. Bhargava, Dir(RT) and Designated Officer(defacto PIO), Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi.

Copy by post to:- Shri Rustom J. Cama, C/o Cama Motors Pvt Ltd, Rustom Cama Marg, Lal Darwaja, Ahmedabad-380001 with reference to his application referred to above. In future he may, if necessary, pursue the matter with the Designated Officers (de facto PIO)s, mentioned

**No. RT-11016/14/2012-MVL
Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways**

Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street,
New Delhi – 110 001.

Dated 23rd March, 2012.

To

Sh. Rustom J Cama,
C/o Cama Motor Pvt. Ltd.,
Lal Darwaja,
Ahmedabad.

Subject:- Information under RTI Act.

Sir,

Please refer to your application dated 30/12/2011 and letter number I-34014/95/2012-RTI dated 14/2/2012 from DS(RTI) on the above subject. The complaint against the vehicles manufactured by Mercedes Benz Car was referred to ARAI which is a technical agency. A copy of comments from ARAI is enclosed. ARAI has informed that the information with respect to your queries sent vide letters dated 8-12-2010 (2 letters) and 10-03-2011 have been replied to as these are addressed to Director ARAI. A copy each of ARAI's letters dated 20/4/2011 and 14/2/2012 are also enclosed.

2. The details of Appellate Authority is as under:-

Shri Nitin R Gokarn, Joint Secretary (Transport), Ministry of Road Transport & Highways,
Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi – 110 001 (Tel. No. 23753991).

Yours faithfully,



(NANDAN SINGH)

Deputy Secretary (T) and Designated Officer (de facto PIO)

Tel. No. 011-23718574

Copy to:-

Sh. V. Krishnaswamy, Dy. Secretary (RTI) & CPIO, M/o RTH, Transport Bhawan,
Sansad Marg, New Delhi w.r.t. O.M. No. I-34014/95/2012-RTI dated 14/02/2012.

ARAI/HMR/MoRT&H/11-12/20

December 20, 2011

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street
New Delhi 110 001

Sub : Complaint against Mercedes Cars.

Attn : Ms Dharkat R Luikang, Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Dear Madam,

This is in response to your letter No. RT-11036/91/2011-MVL dated 1st December 2011, seeking our comments on the above subject.

Regarding representation received from Cama Motors Private Limited, all queries were answered to Cama Motors Private Limited and copy of the previous correspondence is attached herewith for ready reference. It may be seen that ARAI has already clarified that specific investigation studies as required by Cama Motors are outside the purview of CMVR type approval and ARAI's expertise.

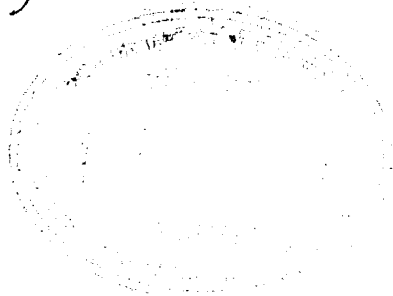
Regarding the complaint received from Dr. Harpreet Singh Grewal, it is clarified that the particular issue pertains to water ingress inside the vehicle and related performance problems. The subject being outside the purview of CMVR, it is suggested that specific comments may be sought from the concerned vehicle manufacturer in order to decide further course of action.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,


Mrs. Rashmi Urdhwarashe
Senior Deputy Director, ARAI

Encl : As above.



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Shrikant R. Marathe
Director

DIR-24-02-44
February 14, 2011

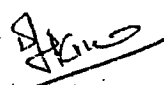
Dear Shri Cama,

This has reference to your letter dated 8th December 2010 and previous copies thereof, informing about certain failures in vehicles CLS 350 and S350 manufactured by M/s. Mercedes Benz India Ltd. We have noted your specific observations about the problems in the vehicles.

On perusal of your complaint, it is felt that the problems relate to specific vehicle designs. The stated problems are beyond the purview of mandatory requirements for CMVR type approval and homologation. We wish to clarify that as a policy, ARAI do not take up assignments, which involve investigation studies initiated by individuals or companies, unless so directed by any competent authority in the country. Any dispute between dealer and manufacturer is outside the scope of our activities.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


for (Shrikant R. Marathe)

Shri Rustom Cama
Executive Director
Cama Motors Pvt Ltd.
Rustom Cama Marg
Lal Darwaja
Ahmedabad 380 001

Shrikant R. Marathe
Director

DIR-24-06-116
April 20, 2011

Dear Shri Cama,

This is with reference to your letter dated 10th March 2011, repeatedly requesting us to take up investigation of certain faults in Mercedes Benz vehicles as reported by you.

As already clarified in our previous letter, ARAI is not in a position to take up the investigation studies. We neither have specific technical expertise nor software tools to debug ECUs or special control systems deployed on the said vehicle model. It is further clarified that the matter is outside the purview of mandatory requirements under the Central Motor Vehicles Rules (CMVR). Hence we are not in a position to advise you regarding any specific action in this matter.

It is further noted that the envelope, which was marked to us, also contained original letters addressed to Mr. Salvi, Mercedes Benz India Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Amit Patel, Sintex Industries Ltd. Since, ARAI is not authorized to receive these letters on their behalf, the same are returned herewith for necessary action at your end.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



(Shrikant R. Marathe)

Shri Rustom Cama
Executive Director
Cama Motors Pvt. Ltd.
Rustom Cama Marg
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Encl.: As above.