

Our Ref: GICOI/R/2019/00016 / 10

14th June, 2019

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Re: Furnishing of information Sought under RTI Act, 2005

This has reference to your RTI application under RTI Act, 2005, dated 14/05/2019 received by us on 17/5/2019 through post. Your Application was forwarded to the concerned department(s).

It may be noted that the information can be provided in the form in which it is sought, unless it would disproportionately divert the resources of the public authority, under section 7 (9) of RTI Act, 2005. The present application consists of 6 broad subjects with at least two questions on an average under each subject and many sub-questions grouped under each such question which may require more than given statutory time limit of 30 days mandated by RTI Act, 2005.

However, the answers to queries as received from respective departments within the 30 days statutory time limit under RTI Act, 2005 are as under:

Query no.1: Aggregate Country Exposure

- a. PIO to provide the Aggregate Country Exposure as at the date of the last Public Disclosure statement, w.r.t. the Gross and/or Net Reinsurance Risk assumed for EACH the Top 15 nations (w.r.t Direct Re-insurance risk assumed w.r.t. 3rd party risks insured by insurers in foreign geographies -ex India)

Reply to query no. 1:

As per last Public Disclosure Statement, the Corporation's overall top 10 exposures in other countries are as follows: United Arab Emirates, Israel, Taiwan, Indonesia, USA, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, Vietnam, South Korea.

Exposures written from Worldwide territories are covered for a limit of USD 200 Million and up to USD250 Million for selected countries in Asia by purchase of Catastrophe protection beyond the Corporation's authorized retentions. Specific risk protection was available for Middle East for a limit of USD 25 Million excess USD 15 million.

Overall top 10 exposures from overseas countries for the period 2018-2019 are as follows:

UTD.ARAB EMIR.
ISRAEL
TAIWAN



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(भारत सरकार की कंपनी)

General Insurance Corporation of India
(Government of India Company)
CIN NO.: L67200MH1972GOI016133 IRDA REGN No.: 112

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RUSSIAN FEDERATION
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Query no.2: FX

- a. W.r.t. the Forex Loss/(Gain) of the GIC in the last 3 years, the following information is sought from the PIO, as under:
- Fx loss - by currency for each FY in the last 3 years
 - Gross Fx loss in each of the last 3 Financial Years, by Currency type
 - FX Loss related to overseas representative office operations for the last 3 years, for each representative office separately
 - FX loss related to the Translation losses of overseas subsidiaries and associates for the last 3 years, for each representative office separately

Reply to query no. 2a:

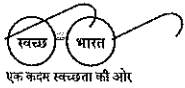
The information sought is available in the Annual Report on GIC website

<https://www.gicofindia.com/en/public-disclosures> . Further GIC Re deals in more than 160 foreign currencies. So, it is not possible to provide currency wise exchange gain/loss.

As regards to the detailed information sought on foreign currencies loss / gain, the applicant may kindly note that collecting and collating the same for the required period of time is an exercise which will not only be voluminous but also disproportionately divert our resources from their day to day work and therefore cannot be provided.

It has also been categorically held in the case of CBSE Vs. Aditya Bandopadhyay & Others decided on 9 August 2011 by the Hon'ble Supreme Court that

"Indiscriminate and impractical demands or directions under RTI Act for disclosure of all and sundry information (unrelated to transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities and eradication of corruption) would be counterproductive as it will adversely affect the efficiency of the administration and result in the executive getting bogged down with the non-productive work of collecting and furnishing information. The Act should not be allowed to be misused or abused, to become a tool to obstruct the national development and integration, or to destroy the peace, tranquility and harmony among its citizens. Nor should it be converted into a tool of oppression or intimidation of honest officials striving to do their duty. The nation does not want a scenario where 75% of the staff of public authorities spends 75% of their time in collecting and furnishing information to applicants instead of discharging their regular duties. The threat of penalties under the RTI Act and the pressure of the authorities under the RTI Act should not lead to employees of public authorities prioritising 'information furnishing', at the cost of their normal and regular duties."



- b. PIO to provide the FX hedging policy of the GIC as at March 31,2018 (The Policy statement)
- c. PIO to confirm that GIC has never hedged any FX exposure related to the insurance business in the last 3 years (In India or Overseas)
- d. PIO to provide the dates of the Risk Management Committee and other meetings of the GIC which developed the basis and reasoning of the FX Hedging Policy of GIC (in the last 3 years)

Reply to Query no. 2 b, c, d. : GIC does not deal in hedging of foreign exchange.

Query no.3: Claims ageing of Foreign Business

W.r.t the claims ageing schedule of the foreign business (aggregate for all risk types of GIC – as a legal entity) of the GIC, the PIO is to provide the ageing schedule, as of March 31,2018, as under:

- a. Claims settled and paid later (6 months to 12 months, 12 months to 24 months, 24 months to 60 months and more than 60 months)

Reply to query no. 3a: Nil

- b. Claims pending settlement or final settlement (6 months to 12 months, 12 months to 24 months, 24 months to 60 months and more than 60 months).

Reply to query no. 3b: Nil

Query no.4: Frauds

W.r.t the frauds in the operations of GIC in India and the representative offices of GIC, In the last 5 years, the following information is sought by the PIO, as under:

- a. Number of frauds detected in GIC India operations, due to complicity of GIC staff, with the Year of detection, Aggregate financial value of fraud
 - Whether frauds detected by Audit or otherwise for each Fraud

Reply to query no. 4a:

1 fraud was detected by the respective department of the concerned employee in the year 2017.

- b. Number of frauds detected in GIC India operations, due to complicity of Non-GIC staff (identifying the agency to which the person related), with the Year of detection, Aggregate financial value of fraud
 - Whether frauds detected by Audit or otherwise for each Fraud

Reply to query no. 4b: NIL

- c. Number of frauds detected in GIC foreign representative offices, due to complicity of GIC staff, with the Year of detection, Aggregate financial value of fraud
 - Whether frauds detected by Audit or otherwise for each Fraud

Reply to query no. 4c: Audit has not detected and reported frauds

- d. Number of frauds detected in GIC foreign representative offices, due to complicity of Non-GIC staff, with the Year of detection, Aggregate financial value of fraud
 - Whether frauds detected by Audit or otherwise for each Fraud



Reply to query no. 4d: Audit has not detected and reported frauds

Query no.5: LCs and Guarantees

W.r.t. the Guarantees and LCs issued by the GIC and o/s as at March 31,2018, the following information is sought by the PIO, as under :

- a. Nature of each instrument (Aggregate LC -SB/Commercial etc. and Aggregate BG - FBG/PBG etc.) and co-terminus value
 - Instruments where the commitments are in FX
 - Names of the Beneficiaries of the LCs and BGs
 - Purpose of the LC and BG with co-terminus value
- b. PIO to confirm that in the last 7 years, any LC or BG issued by the GIC as a commitment and disclosed as a contingent liability was ever encashed by the beneficiary
 - If Yes, the Year of the said action, Value of the encashment and the name of the beneficiary

Reply to query no. 5: LC is an instrument initiated to uphold business interest of the company. It is held integral in doing business and bound by terms which shall be held in confidence therefore exempted under Sec 8(1)(d) of the Act.

Query no.6: Accounts

- a. PIO to provide the Schedule of the Cost of Making Investments, for the FY 2018, as audited by the Auditor of the company

Reply to query no. 6a: Total cost incurred for making investment for the FY 2018-19 is Rs.3,03,18,457.31.

- b. PIO to provide the Schedule of Repairs, for the FY 2018, as audited by the Auditor of the company

Reply to query no. 6b: Attached as Annexure – 2A to this reply

- c. PIO to provide the Schedule of the Other Expense, for the FY 2018, as audited by the Auditor of the company

Reply to query no. 6c: Attached as Annexure – 2B to this reply

It may be noted that the judgements quoted by you in your application are not applicable to the facts of the present case.

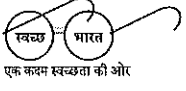
If you are not satisfied by the above reply, you may prefer an appeal under Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005, to the Appellate Authority within 30 days of the receipt of the reply through online or offline mode.

For Online mode – Please visit <https://rtionline.gov.in/>

For Offline mode - the details of the Appellate Authority are furnished below:

**Smt. Reena Bhatnagar - Appellate Authority,
General Insurance Corporation of India,
"Suraksha", 170, J Tata Road, Churchgate, Mumbai- 400020, India.
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Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Encl : As above.

ANNEXURE 2A

Repairs

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>
Repairs and Maintenance	14,94,01,350
Electricity, Water charges , Insurance etc.	3,03,24,329
	17,97,25,678

*Documents
supplied under RTI Act, 2017*

Other expenses

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>	
Regulatory Fees	13,41,14,561	
Subscription to Other Associations	7,72,96,046	
Entertainment Expenses	26,15,991	
Meeting & Seminar Expenses	89,96,879	
Refreshment Expenses	30,76,239	
Books & Periodicals	31,90,589	
Electronic Information Expenses	84,95,986	
Recruitment Expenses	94,37,554	
Miscellaneous Expenses	44,69,681	
Bank Charges	13,05,85,282	38,22,78,808

*Documents supplied
under RTI Act, 2005.*

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