

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMBASSY OF INDIA, LA PAZ (BOLIVIA) REQUIRED  
UNDER SECTION 4(1)(B) OF THE Right to Information ACT, 2005**

(i)	<p>Particulars of organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Embassy is headed by Ambassador of India and has following Wings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Political</li> <li>(ii) Commercial</li> <li>(iii) Administration</li> <li>(iv) Consular</li> <li>(v) Culture</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Functions and duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Each wing is headed by a India based officer with overall supervision of Ambassador.</li> <li>- Embassy functions within the purview of business allocated to the Ministry of External Affairs under the Government of India Allocation of Business Rules and Transaction of Business Rules. The functions of the Embassy <i>inter alia</i> include political and economic cooperation, trade and investment promotion, scientific &amp; technological cooperation, cultural interaction, press and media liaison, and consular operations including PIOs/NRIs, in bilateral and multilateral contexts.</li> </ul>	
(ii)	Powers and Duties of Officers and employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General Administrative powers are derived from IFS (PLCA) Rules, as amended from time to time.</li> <li>- Financial powers of the Officers of the Embassy of India have been detailed in the Delegated Financial powers of the Government of India Representatives Abroad.</li> <li>- Other powers are derived from the Passport Act of India, Visa Manual and Consular Manual or delegated by the Ministry of External Affairs.</li> <li>- The Officers of the Embassy function under the guidance and supervision of the Ambassador.</li> </ul>

iii)	The procedure followed in the decision making process, including channels of supervision and accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Decisions are taken as per extant rules and guidelines, where applicable and under the instructions and supervision of the Ambassador.</li> <li>- Issues are disposed of within the timeframe prescribed under the relevant rules &amp; instructions of the Ministry.</li> <li>- Standard disposal time for: Commercial matters: 3 days</li> <li>- Consular matters: 3 days or as per prescribed rules</li> </ul>
(iv)	Norms set by it for the discharge of its functions	- Norms are set under the guidelines of the Ministry and instructions and supervision of the Ambassador.
(v)	The rules, regulations, instructions, manuals and records, held by it or under its control or used by its employees for discharging its functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IFS PLCA rules and Annexures</li> <li>- Delegated Financial Powers of Government of India Representatives abroad Rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Passport Act</li> <li>- Visa Manual</li> <li>- Consular Manual</li> <li>- Manuals of Office</li> </ul> </li> <li>Procedures</li> <li>- Other Central Government Rules and Manuals published by the Central Government.</li> <li>- Transfer policy is as per Government of India regulations</li> </ul>
(vi)	A statement of the categories of documents that are held by it or under its control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Classified documents / files relating to India relations with Bolivia</li> <li>- Unclassified documents / files including Joint Statements, Declarations, Agreements and MOUs between India and Bolivia</li> <li>- Passport and Consular Services Application forms</li> <li>- The documents are under the custody of the Head of each Wing.</li> </ul>

(vii)	Particulars of any arrangement that exist for consultation with, or representation by, the members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policy or implementation thereof	- There do not exist any formal boards / councils / committees constituted by the Embassy, Embassy of India functions within the norms of India's foreign policy formulated by the Ministry of External Affairs. Policy is implemented by the Embassy under the guidance and supervision of the Ambassador.
(viii)	A statement of the Boards, Councils, Committees and other Bodies consisting of two or more persons constituted as its part or for the purpose of its advice, and as to whether meetings of those boards, councils, committees and other bodies are open to the public, or the minutes of such meetings are accessible for public	- Embassy interacts regularly with representatives of Think Tanks, Academic Community, Business Community and others.
(ix)	A directory of its Officers and employees	- List of Officers is given at <u>Annexure I</u> . - Compensation is as per GOI regulations.
(x)	The monthly remuneration received by each of its Officers and employees, including the system of compensation as provided in its regulations	- A statement of monthly remuneration is at <u>Annexure-II</u>
(xi)	The budget allocated to each of its agency, indicating the particulars of all plans, proposed expenditures, and reports on disbursements made	- The Budget figures for the BE 2025-26 is given in the Statement at <u>Annexure III</u> .
(xii)	The manner of execution of subsidy programmes, including the amounts allocated and the details of beneficiaries of such programmes	- Embassy of India does not have any subsidy programme.

(xiii)	Particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorizations granted by it	- No concessions, permits are granted by the Embassy of India.
(xiv)	Details in respect of the information, available to or held by it, reduced in an electronic form	- The Embassy website has the required information. Embassy also makes available to interested individuals various brochures, CDs and DVDs containing information on India, its people and culture.
(xv)	The particulars of facilities available to citizens for obtaining information, including the working hours of a library or reading room, if maintained for public use	- The Embassy is open from 0830 hrs to 1700 hrs from Monday to Friday. The holidays observed by the Embassy are given on the website.
(xvi)	The names, designations and other particulars of the Public Information Officers	Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) Ms. Lhilhing Sitlhou, Attache (admn.lapaz@mea.gov.in)
(xvii)	Such other information as may be prescribed and thereafter update these publications every year	The Embassy website has information which is updated on a regular basis.