

To,
Office of International Affairs
Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice
1301 New York Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Status Inquiry - Extradition Request from the Republic of India for Baljit Singh (DOB August 27, 1955); INTERPOL Red Notice No. 2011-41517 (Control No. A-4355/7-2011); CBI Case No. RC-4(S)/2004/SCB-II/New Delhi; Prior DOJ/OIA Reference No. 182-28116

Dear Sir or Madam:

I write as the son of the late Jaswant Singh Premi of Port Washington, New York, and the complainant in the above-referenced Indian criminal case, to respectfully request a status update on the extradition request submitted by the Government of India for Baljit Singh.

By way of background: the Central Bureau of Investigation registered Case No. RC-4(S)/2004/SCB-II/New Delhi charging Mr. Singh under Sections 120-B, 420, 467, 468, 471, and 404 of the Indian Penal Code in connection with the forgery of documents and misappropriation of my late father's bank deposits following his death in 1993. A non-bailable warrant was issued by the Court of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Saket, New Delhi, and INTERPOL published Red Notice No. 2011-41517, which remains active. In March 2015, INTERPOL Washington advised NCB New Delhi that Mr. Singh had been located in the United States, and India transmitted a provisional arrest request under Article 12 of the India-US Extradition Treaty. Per India's Ministry of External Affairs (letter No. T-551/1/Cons/RTI/2025 dated May 30, 2025), a formal extradition request was received by MEA on April 12, 2016 (MHA File No. 25015/13/2016-LC) and forwarded to the relevant US authorities through diplomatic channels, and supplemental information was thereafter requested by the US side. I also note that your office previously handled a related mutual legal assistance matter in this case under Reference No. 182-28116 in 2005.

Mr. Singh is believed to reside in the Edison/Avenel, New Jersey area. I respectfully request: (1) confirmation that the extradition request and any supplemental submissions from India remain under active consideration; (2) any information your office is able to share regarding its status; and (3) guidance on whether any further documentation from the Indian authorities or from me, as complainant, would assist in advancing the matter. I hold extensive documentary evidence, including the forensic report, bank ledgers, and account statements, and can make these available upon request.

I understand that your office may be limited in what it can disclose concerning a pending extradition matter. Even an acknowledgment of receipt and a general status indication would be greatly appreciated, as this matter has been pending for many years and the victims are elderly.

Thank you for your attention to this request. I may be reached at the telephone number or email above.

Respectfully,

Jaswinder Paul Batra
S/o Late Jaswant Singh Premi

cc: U.S. Attorney's Office, District of New Jersey; Office of [Your U.S. Representative/Senator], Constituent Services

APPLICATION UNDER THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

Date:

To,
The Central Public Information Officer (CPIO),
IS-II Division (Legal Cell),
Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India,
NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road,
New Delhi - 110001

Subject: Information regarding supplemental information/clarification sought by the United States authorities in the matter of extradition of Mr. Baljeet Singh @ Baljit Singh (from USA to India) - MHA File No. 25015/13/2016-LC dated 12.04.2016.

Sir/Madam,

I, the undersigned, a citizen of India, hereby seek the following information under Section 6(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This application pertains to the extradition request in respect of Mr. Baljeet Singh (accused in CBI Case No. RC-4(S)/2004/SCB-II/New Delhi; INTERPOL Red Notice Control No. A-4355/7-2011), which, as per the Ministry of External Affairs reply No. T-551/1/Cons/RTI/2025 dated 30.05.2025, was forwarded to the US authorities, who thereafter raised supplemental information/clarification that was forwarded by MEA to the Ministry of Home Affairs, and a reply from MHA is stated to be still awaited by MEA.

Kindly provide the following information:

1. The date on which the supplemental information/clarification raised by the US authorities in respect of the extradition of Mr. Baljeet Singh was received by the Ministry of Home Affairs from the Ministry of External Affairs.
2. The present status of the said supplemental information/clarification, including all actions/steps taken by MHA thereon from the date of receipt till date, with dates.
3. Whether MHA has sought inputs from CBI or any other agency for preparing the reply; if yes, the dates of such references and of any responses received.
4. The date by which MHA expects to transmit its reply to MEA for onward transmission to the US authorities.
5. Certified copies of all file notings and correspondence exchanged between MHA, MEA, and CBI in File No. 25015/13/2016-LC relating to the extradition of Mr. Baljeet Singh.
6. The name and designation of the officer(s) presently dealing with File No. 25015/13/2016-LC.

I state that the information sought does not fall within the exemptions under Section 8 or 9 of the RTI Act. If any part of the information is held by another public authority, kindly transfer the application to that authority under Section 6(3) of the Act and inform me accordingly.

The prescribed application fee of Rs. 10/- is enclosed by way of [Indian Postal Order / Demand Draft No. _____ dated _____] drawn in favour of the Accounts Officer, Ministry of Home Affairs, payable at New Delhi.

Yours faithfully,

Sh. Jaswinder Paul Batra
S/o Late Sh. J.S. Premi
R/o: 505, Aradhana Apartment, R.K. Puram,
Sector-XIII, New Delhi- 110022
Also, at:
15A Maple Drive, Port Washington, USA
Mob: 9220613787

Enclosure: RTI fee of Rs. 10/-; copy of MEA reply No. T-551/1/Cons/RTI/2025 dated 30.05.2025.

Date:

To,
The Investigating Officer / Superintendent of Police
CBI, Special Crime-III
5-B, CBI Hqrs Building, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road
New Delhi - 110003

Re: CBI Case No. RC-4(S)/2004/SCB-II/New Delhi — CBI vs. Singh, Batra & Anr. — Submission of Memorandum of Sworn False Statements of Accused Baljit Singh; material relevant to trial and to the pending extradition request (MHA File No. 25015/13/2016-LC)

Respected Sir,

I, Jaswinder Paul Batra, son of the late Sh. Jaswant Singh Premi and complainant in the above case, respectfully submit the enclosed Memorandum comparing the sworn statements of accused Baljit Singh, recorded under oath on 17.02.2005 by the U.S. Attorney's Office (E.D.N.Y.) in execution of this Hon'ble Court's letters rogatory, against the documentary record already collected in this case.

In brief, the accused denied on oath ever having heard of Hemant Jaisinghani, ever banking in Dubai or with Standard Chartered Bank, and any dealings with Vysya Bank — whereas the Standard Chartered Dubai account No. 02-4171942-01 stood in his own name care-of Hemant Jaisinghani; SWIFT instructions show his NRE deposit proceeds wired into that account; and Vysya Bank corresponded with him personally at his U.S. residence regarding renewal of the deposits in issue. He further admitted receiving USD 60,000 by cheque from co-accused R.S. Batra in or about 1996, deposited into his U.S. account and used to purchase his 7-Eleven franchise.

It is respectfully submitted that this material (i) is relevant to the supplemental information/clarification presently awaited from the Ministry of Home Affairs in the extradition matter, (ii) demonstrates the accused's false denials on core facts, and (iii) identifies a traceable asset (the franchise) acquired with funds received from the co-accused. I request that the Memorandum and its annexures be placed on the record, forwarded as appropriate to MHA/MEA in aid of the pending extradition request, and considered for appropriate steps toward attachment of the identified assets.

I remain available to provide certified copies of all annexed records and any further assistance required.

Yours faithfully,

Jaswinder Paul Batra
S/o Late Sh. Jaswant Singh Premi (Ph: 9560284819)

Encl.: Memorandum with annexures (2005 deposition transcript; SCB Dubai statements & SWIFT records; Vysya Bank letters & FDR ledgers; Will dated 11.07.1993 with Probate Decree dated 03.06.1994; forensic report reference)