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Welcome to the Guide Segment of RTI INDIA. Here you shall find all what is required to know about Right to Information in India. Contributed by our members and Activists, the Guide segment is an ever evolving place build on the platform of wiki. Below is the various categories of articles available to know about RTI.

This Guide section contains articles on knowing about RTI, filing RTI to filing appeals under RTI. However, it may not be sufficient to just read the various Guide section. It is always a good idea to ask at our Forums for the help, or make a phone call / write email to our RTI Activist. Hope you find this section helpful.

**What is Right to Information Act**

Right to Information empowers every citizen to seek any information from the Government, inspect any Government documents and seek certified photocopies or samples thereof. You must know the basics of the Act before you are able to file an RTI. We have narrated the basic details for you. Read More..!

**Where I cannot get information from**

Act shall not apply to intelligence and security organisations specified in Second Schedule, being organisations established by the Central Government, provided Rules applicable to the concerned public that the information pertaining to the allegations authority. There are simple Guidelines to follow. Read More..!

**Who Can seek information under RTI**

Any citizen can ask for information under this law. The Act extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir. OCI's (Overseas Citizens of India) and PIO's (Persons of Indian Origin) card holders can also ask for information under the RTI Act. Read More..!

**How to fill RTI Application form**

Any RTI Application, to start with, requires a subject on which to write an RTI request. The RTI application must be on Application Format prescribed under the RTI.
How to locate Public Information Officer

One of the important steps in filing an RTI Application is to know exactly where to file and RTI. Even Central Information Commission (CIC) has in catena of decisions pointed out that application must be filed at the correct office. Here are steps to find your Public Information Officer (PIO). Read More!

What is the procedure for inspection

In cases where the information requested by the applicant is voluminous, he may be given a chance to see & inspect the documents and given copies of the requisite records by charging the prescribed fee. Here is the simple guide for the successful inspection of records. Read More!

How to file 1st Appeal

1st Appeal is the statutory remedy available to the RTI Applicant, when there is no response from the PIO within stipulated time limit or the decision of PIO is not satisfactory or the PIO offered/supplied incorrect/misleading information or demanded exorbitant further fee etc. Read More!

How to file Second Appeal

A second appeal against the decision of first Appellate Authority shall lie within ninety days, with the Central Information Commission or the State Information Commission. You can use our second appeal generator or proceed to this link to read Do's and Don't for filing second appeal. Read Here!

Sample RTI Application forms

This is one of our popular sections. These are the sample RTI requests, seeking information. These RTI requests have been attempted by us to form a standard sample RTI application. You must add/delete/modify questions based upon your needs. Read here!

Time Limits prescribed under RTI

RTI Act prescribed time limits. This include time limit for providing information, time for transfer of application, time for filing RTI appeal, time for deciding first appeal, time for reply when third party is involved etc. Knowing this information will be vital for timely action and successful filing under RTI. Read here!

What are the Penal provisions

The penalty can be imposed by commission on refusal to receive an application, not furnishing the requested information within 30 days of receiving the application, Malafidely denying the request for information, Knowingly given incorrect, incomplete or misleading information. Read More!

How to file a complaint

When an applicant do not receive a decision on his RTI Request within 30 days or is aggrieved by the decision, applicant can prefer an Appeal under Section-19(1) and further appeal under section-19(3) before the Information Commission within time limit. Read More!
Guide for Public Information Officer

The Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) of a public authority plays a pivotal role in making the right of a citizen to information a reality. The Act casts specific duties on him and makes him liable for penalty in case of default. Read More..!

Guide for First Appellate Authority

Deciding appeals under the RTI Act is a quasi-judicial function. It is, therefore, necessary that the appellate authority should see to it that the justice is not only done but it should also appear to have been done. Read More..!

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