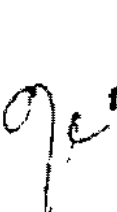


**STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, HARYANA
SCO NO. 70-71, SECTOR 8-C, CHANDIGARH
PHONE NO. 0172-2725494.**

Subject:- Meeting of the Commission regarding Improving Transparency and Accountability in Government through Effective Implementation of RTI Act, 2005.

Will the Secretary/SCIC and Private Secretaries/SICs refer to U.O. No. 8919/7 IA/SCIC/2010 dated 21.12.2010 on the subject cited above?

A copy of the Agenda Items to be discussed in the meeting scheduled to be held on 21st December, 2010 at 3.00 PM is enclosed herewith for the kind information of Information Commissioners.


**Superintendent
for State Information Commission,
Haryana**

To

1. Secretary/SCIC
2. PS/SIC(AS)
3. PS/SIC(MRR)
4. PS/SIC(PVS)

U.O. No. 8919/7 IA/SCIC/2010

Dated Chandigarh the 21st Dec., 2010

**Agenda Items to be discussed in the Meeting of the Hon'ble
Commission scheduled to be held on 21.12.2010 at 3.00 PM.**

Item No. 1:- Action taken on the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 12.11.2010

- (i) Re-allocation of work amongst various Benches
- (ii) To ensure prompt service of notices the mode of dispatch through "Registered Post" has been adopted to serve notice to the appellant.
- (iii) No suggestions received regarding Annual Report of the Commission.
- (iv) Case regarding releasing the balance grant to complete the activities under Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme on Strengthening Capacity Building and Awareness Generation for Effective Implementation of RTI Act has been taken up with the Government of India.
- (v) Appointment of staff on contract basis - Matter through Administrative Department has been referred to Finance Department for approval.

**Item No. 2:- Disposal of cases in the State Information Commission during the
month of October, 2010.**

The Progress Report for the month of October, 2010 is placed for the perusal of the Commission.

Item No. 3:- Awareness Generation for RTI

A proposal had been sent to Government of India for funding the holding of one State Level Workshop and three Field Level Workshops with a total cost of Rs. 0.90 Lacs and Rs. 1.95 Lacs respectively. Sanction has been received for Rs. 1.50 Lacs for this purpose in this regard. The sanction has been brought to the notice of all the Benches for seeking their suggestions regarding holding of the proposed Workshops. The matter is put up to Hon'ble Commission for decision.

Centre plan

Item No. 4:- Extension of Staff

Commission in its last meeting had approved in public interest the retention of staff appointed on contract basis. The tenure of some of the staff members appointed on contract basis is going to be expired on 31.12.2010. Since the services of this staff are still required in the Commission, therefore, Hon'ble Commission may take a decision about their continuation in service as contractual employees in the interest of work, the detail of employees is as under:-

Sr. No.	Name & Designation	Date of Expiry of term
1.	Mrs. Hema Kumari, Clerk	31.12.2010
2.	Sh. Mukesh Kumar, Computer Programmer	31.12.2010
3.	Mrs. Sonia Gupta, Steno Typist	31.12.2010
4.	Sh. Sham Lal, Driver	31.12.2010
5.	Sh. Anish Kumar, Steno Typist	31.12.2010
6.	Sh. L.N. Madan, Personal Assistant	31.12.2010

The above issues are placed before the Commission for consideration.

Any other matter with the permission of Chair.

Centre plan

ANNEXURE-A

DETAILS OF COMPLAINTS/APEALS DISPOSED OF BY THE STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, HARYANA .

Disposal upto October, 2010								
Period	Disposal by	U/s 18(2)	Advice u/s 18	U/s 19(3)	U/s 19(8)(b)	U/s 20(1)	Status Review	Total
Decisions during September, 2010	Div. Bench	00	00	02	00	00	01	03
	CIC	121	522	471	00	00	13	1207
	SIC (MAC)	139	234	301	01	178	06	952
	SIC (AS)	29	264	189	00	67	04	553
	SIC (MST)	01	14	19	00	19	07	60
	SIC (MRR)	39	286	156	03	148	01	613
	SIC (PVS)	42	376	253	00	64	12	787
Total decisions up to 30/9/2010		371	1786	1491	07	956	44	4138
Decision during October, 2010	Div. Bench	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
	CIC	02	78	00	00	00	01	81
	SIC(MAC)	06	25	44	00	08	00	83
	SIC(AS)	09	11	06	00	03	00	29
	SIC(MRR)	05	42	21	00	17	01	86
	SIC (PVS)	03	73	45	00	05	00	126
Total decisions during October, 2010		25	229	116	00	23	02	408
Total decisions up to 30/10/2010		396	1945	1647	07	589	46	4546

Detail of pending cases as on 30.10.2010																		
Issued by	U/s 18(2)			U/s 19(3)			U/s 19(8)(b)			U/s 20(1)			Status Review			Total		
	Pre.	10/10	Total	Pre.	10/10	Total	Pre.	10/10	Total	Pre.	10/10	Total	Pre.	10/10	Total	Pre.	10/10	Total
DB	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
CIC	22	07	29	189	68	257	00	00	00	66	05	71	03	02	05	280	82	362
SIC(MAC)	20	14	34	78	39	117	02	00	02	50	18	68	02	01	03	157	72	229
SIC(AS)	18	04	22	155	53	208	00	00	00	40	00	40	01	00	01	214	57	271
SIC(MRR)	02	05	07	14	16	30	01	00	01	34	12	46	00	00	00	51	33	84
SIC(PVS)	03	09	12	103	34	137	01	00	01	29	05	34	02	01	03	138	49	187
Total	65	39	104	549	210	749	04	00	04	219	40	269	08	04	12	838	263	1101

No. of misc. cases disposed of by suitably advising the applicant's	
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably during 2006	0503
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably during 2007	1794
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably during 2008	2413
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably during 2009	1898
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably upto September, 2010	1961
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably during October, 2010	138
No. of cases disposed of by advising the applicant suitably upto 31.10.2010	2119

ANNEXURE - B
DETAILS OF COMPENSATION AWARDED TO THE APPELLANTS/COMPLAINANTS
UNDER SECTION 19 (B) (B) OF THE RTI ACT, 2005 DURING October, 2010

Case No.	Name of IC	Date of Decision	Amount of compensation	Detail of Parties	Action Taken Report
2311/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2316/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2317/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2318/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2382/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2383/10	SCIC	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Ram Mehar Sharma, Jind Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2107/10	SIC (PVS)	6.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Kapil Dev of Panjab Vs Staff Selection Commission, Haryana, Panchkula	
1763/10	SIC (PVS)	7.10.2010	2800/-	Sh. Umed Singh Saini of Jind Vs Forest Department, Haryana.	
2226/10	SCIC	7.10.2010	1000/-	Sh. Rajesh Choud of Ambala Cantt Vs HVPNL, Panchkula	
2160/10	SCIC	13.10.2010	1000/-	Sh. Ramesh Verma Vs Director General Health Services, Panchkula	
2340/10	SCIC	19.10.2010	1000/-	Dr. M.C. Sharma, Bhiwani Vs DHBVNL, Bhiwani	
2376/10	SCIC	19.10.2010	500/-	Ms. Neelam Kheranagar, Ambala Cantt Vs Principal, GNM College, Ambala Cantt.	
2234/10	SIC (PVS)	19.10.2010	2000/-	Sh. M.C. Sharma Vs Haryana Public Service Commission, Panchkula.	
2379/10	SCIC	20.10.2010	1000/-	Sh. Krishan Kumar Lohia Vs DHBVNL, Hissar	
2369/10	SCIC	21.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Deen Deyal Soni Vs DHBVNL, Bhiwani	
304/10 in 346/09	SCIC	21.10.2010	1000/-	Sh. Deen Deyal Soni Vs Haryana Naturopathy Hospital, Bhiwani.	
2385/10	SCIC	21.10.2010	500/-	Sh. Rajeshwar Prasad Vs Deputy Civil Surgeon, Jhajjar.	
363/10	SCIC	27.10.2010	1000/-	Sh. Vijay Kumar Sharma Vs Deputy Civil Surgeon, Karnal	
2465/10	SIC (PVS)	27.10.2010	1500/-	Sh. P.C. Chaudhary Vs Irrigation Department, Haryana, Panchkula	
Total			17300/-	19 cases (SCIC-15, SIC (PVS)-4)	

ANNEXURE - C
DETAILS OF PENALTY IMPOSED UPON THE STATE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
UNDER SECTION 20(1) OF THE RTI ACT, 2005 DURING October, 2010

Case No.	Name of the IC	Date of Decision	Amount of penalty imposed	detail of defaulter SPIO	Name/Address of the Public Authority	Present status
454/10 in 215/10	SIC (PVS)	1/10/2010	1000/-	Sh. Deen Dayal Soni Vs Sh. A.K. Jain the then SPIO-cum-Executive Officer, MC, Bhiwani	The Director Urban & Local Bodies, Haryana, SCO No. 6-7, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh.	
456/10 in 188/10	SIC (PVS)	1/10/2010	1000/-	Sh. Deen Dayal Soni Vs Sh. A.K. Jain the then SPIO-cum-Executive Officer, MC, Bhiwani	The Director Urban & Local Bodies, Haryana, SCO No. 6-7, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh.	
290/10 1511/2010	in SCIC	7/10/2010	5000/-	Smt. Angoori Devi, Sonapat Vs Smt. Asha Kuran Hasija, SPIO-cum-District Social Welfare Officer, Sonapat	The Director, Social Justice & Empowerment, Haryana, SCO No. 68-70, Sector 17-A, Chandigarh	Deposited
375/10 in 1592/10	SIC (MRR)	12/10/2010	12500/-	Sh. Jagdish Chand Dada Vs Sh. R.L. Goyal, Deemed SPIO (Rs.5000/-) & Sh. Parveer Goyal (Rs.7500/-) Deemed SPIO o/o Chief Architect, Haryana	The Chief Architect, Architecture, Haryana, SCO No. 42-44, Sector 17-A, Chandigarh	
448/10 1967/2010	in SCIC	13/10/2010	1000/-	Sh. Zile Singh, Delhi Vs State Election Commission, Panchkula	State Election Commission, Panchkula.	
385/09 in 300/09	SIC (MRR)	13/10/2010	15000/-	Sh. Hukam Singh of Nuh Vs Sh. Parveen Kumar the then SPIO-cum-ADC-cum-Chief Executive Officer, DRDA, Gurgaon.	Chief Executive Officer, DRDA, Gurgaon	
394/10 in 358/10 in 231, 231A, 231-B/2010	SCIC	18/10/2010	5000/-	Sh. Vivek Saini, Hisar Vs Sh. R.R. Goel the then SPIO-cum-General Manager (IT), DHBVN, Hisar.	The Managing Director, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam, Vidyat Nagar, Hisar.	
126/10 in 3150/09	SIC (MRR)	26/10/2010	15000/-	Sh. Manmohan Bhartana Vs Smt. Saroj the then SPIO-cum-Sarpanch, G.P. Sarwar (Bhiwani)	The Director Development and Panchayats, Haryana, Panchayat Bhawan, Plot No. 3, Sector 28-A, Chandigarh.	
520/10 in 90/10 in 3014/09	SIC (MRR)	26/10/2010	15000/-	Sh. Zakir Hussain Vs Sh. Unish the then SPIO-cum-Sarpanch, G.P. Khatalla Seris Distt Palwal.	The Director Development and Panchayats, Haryana, Panchayat Bhawan, Plot No. 3, Sector 28-A, Chandigarh.	
			70500/-	9 cases (SCIC-3, SIC (PVS)-2, SIC (MRR)-4)		

INTRODUCTION

The Right to Information Act, 2005 was operationalized on October 12, 2005. It envisaged a practical regime of accountability and transparency in the working of the Public Authorities and the empowerment of the common citizens. RTI fosters an informed citizenry and better democratic dividends. An informed community can participate in decision making as well as monitor progress. In fact, RTI is a critical factor that is needed for moving from a representative to a participatory democracy, and in creating space for participation from groups hitherto excluded from the policy making processes. The need to provide information on a regular basis is also likely to catalyse the development of an efficient information collection and management system within Government agencies. Now the Act is going to complete its five years but while hearing the appeals and complaints under the Act, the Commission has experienced that some major Departments like Development and Panchayat, Home, Education and Urban Development are required to be given intensive exposure by arranging Workshops, Conferences and Meets. During hearing it is experienced that most of the time the Information Seekers insist the Commission to solve their problems raised by them or to furnish replies to hypothetical questions. Thus not only the Public Authorities but also the Information Seekers are required to be aware about the provisions of the Act and to guide them that they have a right to seek such information from a Public Authority which is held or under the control of the Public Authority. Media can also play an effective role to empower the citizens in this regard. It can give voice to the needs and inspirations of the people and provides them access to relevant information. As an information conduit between Corporations, Governments and the Populace, the Media acts as a watchdog against Government malfeasance, while at the same time fostering greater transparency and accountability.

In order to prepare all the Stake Holders mentally to play their roles only as per the requirements of the Act, the State Information Commission, Haryana is planning to organize one State level and three Field level Workshops/Seminars by inviting all the Stake Holders to participate in the proposed Workshops/Seminars which will be concluded by arranging Press Conference/Meet. The State level Workshop/Seminars will be organized at Panchkula whereas Filed level Workshops/Seminars will be conducted in University Campuses of the State. Besides the Information Commissioners of the State, some higher level officers and expert Guest Lecturers will be invited to motivate all Stake Holders to discharge their obligations as per Right to Information Act. Though the travelling cost and the payment of daily allowance to the participants of Government offices will be borne by their respective Departments but TA/DA and honorarium will have to be paid to the Guest Lecturers and other prominent dignitaries who would be called to motivate the Stake Holders. However, they will be served some refreshment/lunch etc. alongwith some study material pertaining to RTI Act, 2005 which would further costs Rs.2.85 Lacs as per detail given in Annexure 'A' & 'B'. The proposed Workshops/Seminars will be concluded in October, 2010 if the amount of grant is received during the month of September, 2010.

ANNEXURE-A**Estimated expenditure for organizing State Level Workshop/Meeting/Conference**

				Rs. In lac
Sr. No.	Description	No. of Workshops	Estimated expenditure on one Workshop	Total Estimated Expenditure
Number of Participants would be about 150				
1.	Cost of Stationery and Printed material to be provided to be participants	1	0.25	0.25
2.	Traveling cost of non Government Invitees	1	0.10	0.10
3.	Payment of honorarium to Guest Lecturers	1	0.10	0.10
4.	Providing refreshment, lunch and tea to the participants	1	0.40	0.40
5.	Displaying hording and publicity material on RTI	1	0.05	0.05
Total				0.90

ANNEXURE-B

**Estimated expenditure for organizing
Workshops/Meetings/Conferences**

				Rs. in lac
Sr. No.	Description	No. of Workshops	Estimated expenditure on one Workshop	Total Estimated Expenditure
Number of Participants would be about 200 in each Workshop/Seminar/Meet				
1.	Cost of Stationery and Printed material to be provided to be participants	3	0.25	0.75
2.	Traveling cost of non Government invitees	3	0.05	0.15
3.	Payment of honorarium to Guest Lecturers	3	0.05	0.15
4.	Providing refreshment, lunch and tea to the participants	3	0.25	0.75
5.	Displaying hording and publicity material on RTI	3	0.05	0.15
Total				1.95

**Application Proforma
Central Sector Scheme on Improving Transparency and Accountability in
Government through effective Implementation of Right to Information
Act, 2005**

A												
1.	Component for which assistance sought (Para of Guidelines to be mentioned)	2.00 (i)										
2.	Name of the Institution	State Information Commission, Haryana										
B. Details of Institution												
1.	Name of the Institution	State Information Commission, Haryana.										
2.	Particulars of the Institution											
i	Complete postal address	SCO No. 70-71, Sector 8-C, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh-161009.										
ii	Telephone Nos.	0172-2726568										
iii	Fax Nos.	0172-2783834										
iv	E-mail Address	ussichry@yahoo.co.in										
3.	Particulars of the Nodal Officer											
i	Name	Sh. Yagya Dutt Chugh										
ii	Designation	Under Secretary										
iii	Telephone & Fax Number including Mobile Number	0172-2783670, 0172-2783834 (Fax) 09463741410										
iv	E-mail Address	ussichry@yahoo.co.in										
C. Details of Proposals												
1.	Proposed Activities	To organize Workshops/Seminars/ Meets under Awareness Generation for RTI (Para No. 2.0 (i))										
2.	Time Lines	2 Months after the receipt of grant.										
3.	Detailed estimates of expenditure activity wise.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Programme</th> <th>Amount required (In Lakh)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Awareness Generation for RTI- Para 2.0 (i)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>a) One State Level Workshop/Seminar</td> <td>0.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b) Three Field Level Workshops/Seminars</td> <td>1.95</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>2.85</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Programme	Amount required (In Lakh)	1. Awareness Generation for RTI- Para 2.0 (i)		a) One State Level Workshop/Seminar	0.90	b) Three Field Level Workshops/Seminars	1.95	Total	2.85
Programme	Amount required (In Lakh)											
1. Awareness Generation for RTI- Para 2.0 (i)												
a) One State Level Workshop/Seminar	0.90											
b) Three Field Level Workshops/Seminars	1.95											
Total	2.85											
4.	Amount of grant required	Rs.2.85 Lakhs										
5.	E-Lekha ID for release of grant	B443 PLA 51 106 99 51										
D. Details of Assistance availed under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Strengthening, Capacity Building and Awareness Generation for the Effective Implementation of the RTI Act.'												
		2008-2009	2009-2010									
1.	Activity for which assistance availed											
(a)	IT Enablement	30.00	00.00									

(b)	Propogation of RTI	05.00	00.00
2.	Amount availed per activity		
(a)	IT Enablement	14.00	07.00
(b)	Propogation of RTI	03.50	00.00
3.	Utilization Certificates submitted		
(a)	IT Enablement		20,55,449/-
(b)	Propogation of RTI		1,52,625/-
4.	Utilization Certificates not submitted		
(a)	IT Enablement		44,551/-
(b)	Propogation of RTI		1,97,375/-
5.	Expenditure incurred		
(a)	IT Enablement		21,82,845/-
(b)	Propogation of RTI		3,52,305/-
6.	Pending liabilities		
(a)	IT Enablement		9,44,551/-
(b)	Propogation of RTI		1,47,695/-

E. Documents Required

1.	Certificate to the effect that all funds released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on 'Strengthening, Capacity Building and Awareness Generation for the effective implementation of the RTI Act' in the previous years have been fully utilized for the purpose for which they were released and Utilization Certificates have been submitted.	Attached
2.	An undertaking that once the estimates of expenditure are approved as reasonable and the grant assessed on the basis of these estimates, they shall not be modified by the institution without prior approval of the sanctioning authority of the grant	Attached
ii	Certificate to the effect to be attached in case any grant under this scheme has been made then:	
a	Progress made for which grant was received	The work assigned to Centre for Good Governance, Hyderabad is in progress and shall be finalized in the first week of October, 2010.
b	Whether all conditions of previous grant were duly observed, like submission of utilization certificates	Yes, all conditions of previous grant were duly observed while submission of Utilization Certificate.

**Under Secretary
for State Information Commission,
Haryana.**

Counter Signed

**STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, HARYANA,
SCO NO. 70-71(1st floor), SECTOR 8-C, CHANDIGARH.
Ph. 0172-2726568**


**Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of the State Information Commission,
Haryana held on 21.12.2010 at 3.00 PM.**

Will the Private Secretary/SCIC and SICs refer this Commission's U.O.
No. 8919/7 1A/SCIC/2010 dated 21.12.2010 on the subject cited above?

A copy of the minutes of the meeting of the State Information
Commission, Haryana held on 21.12.2010 at 3.00 PM are enclosed herewith for the kind
information of Information Commissioners.


Superintendent
for State Information Commission,
Haryana.

To

1. Private Secretary/SCIC
2. PS/SIC (AS)
3. PS/SIC (MRR) 
4. PS/SIC (PVS)



U.O/ No. 8913 7 1A/SCIC/2010

Dated Chandigarh the 22nd Dec., 2010

Subject:- Minutes of the Meeting of the State Information Commission, Haryana under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Meenaxi Anand Chaudhry, Chief Information Commissioner, Haryana held on 31-12-2010 at 3.00 PM.

Present:

1. Mrs. Asha Sharma, State Information Commissioner, Haryana.
2. Sh. M.R. Ranga, State Information Commissioner, Haryana.
3. Sh. Prem Veer Singh, State Information Commissioner, Haryana.

At the outset, Chief Information Commissioner, Haryana welcomed the Information Commissioners.

The following decisions were taken:-

Agenda Item No. 1 – Action taken on the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 12.11.2010

Noted

Agenda Item No. 2 – Disposal of cases in the State Information Commission during the month of October, 2010

Noted

Agenda Item No. 3 – Holding Workshops/Seminars for effective implementation of the RTI Act.

Commission noted that Government of India had sanctioned funds to the tune of Rs. 1.50 lac for holding of seminars/workshops for Awareness Generation of RTI Act. Tentatively, it was decided by the Commission to hold Workshops/Seminars on 21-1-2011, 14-2-2011, 28-2-2011 and 4-3-2011. It was decided to hold Workshops/Seminars at Chandigarh on 21-1-2011 and 14-2-2011 and at Panichula on 28-2-2011 and 4-3-2011.

General Meeting

Agenda Item No. 4 – Extension of Staff

The Commission approved the retention of staff appointed on contract basis for another six months, beyond 31-12-2010, in public interest.

Any other item

During the meeting SCIC informed the Information Commissioners that she shall be on ex-India leave from 24th December 2010 to 3rd January 2011.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

General Noting