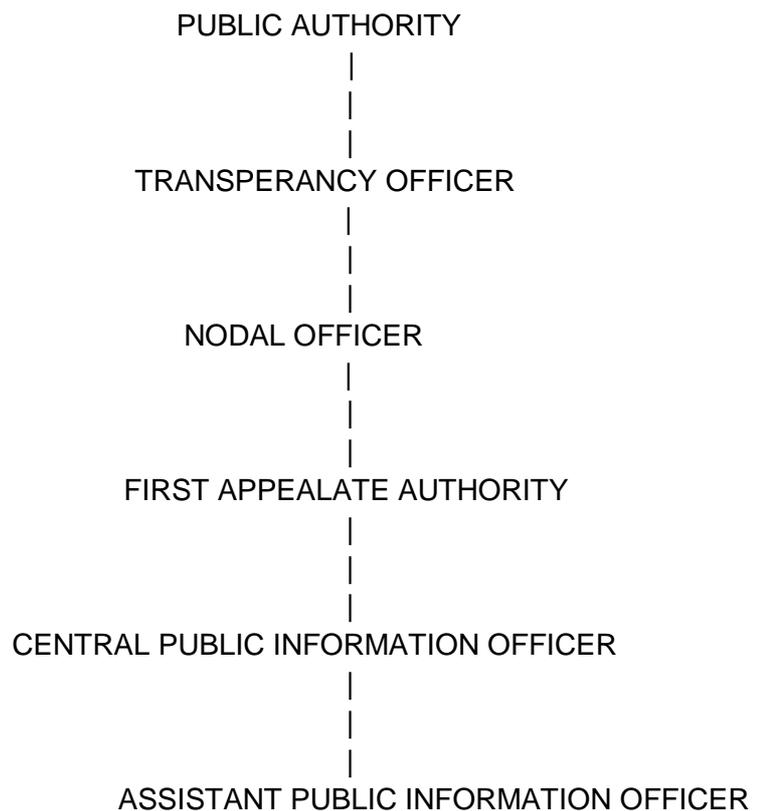


Parliament Questions and Replies**RIGHT TO INFORMATION**

1. **What is the existing mechanism in your establishment to deal with RTI? Whether a separate RTI Cell is functional in your Organization? If yes, furnish details of the structure, mandate and functioning thereof. If no, reasons there for.**

All Divisions of the Company have appointed APIOs, PIOs and First Appellate Authorities to handle RTI Applications. Apart from the above, Corporate Office has appointed Transparency Officer & Nodal Officer also.

Separate RTI Cells are functioning in the Company. The Structure of the Cells are as follows:

Corporate Level

The then CIC Dr M M Ansari had guided the Workshop.

Proactive disclosures are made and general information is available to the public, thereby reducing related queries. Efforts are being made to dispose the RTI Applications earlier than the stipulated period of 30 days. Furthermore, Applications received online are being disposed off online only, to save time.

5. Please comment on the need regarding the number of first appeals and second appeals against the CPIO decisions.

Generally, appeals are pertaining to information which falls under Section 8(1) of the Act; personal information; and clarifications, grievances & complaints which do not fall under the purview of the RTI Act.

Correct knowledge on RTI among the general public as to information which cannot be sought under the Act could reduce the number of 1st Appeals and 2nd Appeals.

6. Whether the Organization feels that the workload of the Organization has increased owing to handling of RTI Applications.

No.

7. Please comment if there have been systemic improvements in the Organization and its impact *vis-à-vis* RTI applications.

No Policy & Rules have been changed in the Organisation on account of RTI Applications. However, various Manuals and SOPs are being updated from time to time.

8. Whether there have been any occasion that resulted in penalty on CPIO. If yes, cite nature of the case.

No.

9. Whether the CPIO in the Organization have adequately been trained / equipped to handle the responsibility. If not, reasons thereof and constrains, if any.

PIOs in the Organisation have been adequately trained. No constraints are faced in providing the information sought.