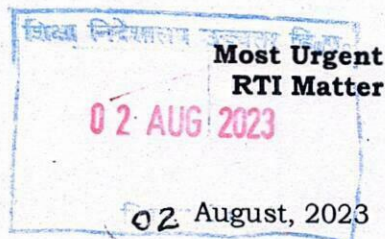


No. EDN-HE(16)B(15)RTI-01/2022- AR  
Directorate of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh.

Dated: Shimla- 171001 the



To

1. All the PIO-cum-Principals of Govt. Colleges / Sanskrit Colleges/SCERT Solan / GCTE Dharamshala in H.P.
2. All the Appellate Authorities/PIOs-cum-Deputy Directors of Higher Education in H.P.

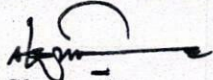
Subject: Regarding resolving of online submitted RTI applications/ appeals on the dashboard of PIOs/FAAs.

In compliance to the Secretary (AR) to the Govt. of H.P. letter No. Per(AR)F(10)13/2022 dated 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 on the subject cited above (Copy enclosed) vide which inform that the H.P. State Information Commission has brought the following into the notice:

**"H.P. State Information Commission has been receiving most of the online second appeals against the RTI applications which are neither responded by the PIO nor by the First Appellate Authorities of various public authorities. This is either the lack of awareness about the online RTI portal among the PIOs or they don't have login credentials of Online RTI Applications. This is resulting increase of the volume of second appeals filed in the State Information Commission".**

In view of above, you are informed that credentials to all the PIOs & FAAs have already been issued to dispose of online RTI applications/appeals related to your offices/institutions and also requested that if any PIO/Appellate Authority do not receive same then they can contact with list of PIO & FAA. But it is observed that Appellate Authorities/PIOs himself as well as PIOs under your control are not accessing the Online Portal of RTI. Hence, RTI applications/appeals are not disposed/heard, as per timeline prescribed in the RTI Act, 2005.

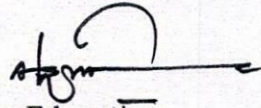
Therefore, you are again directed to use online RTI portal/dashboard regularly and ensure disposal of pending online RTI Applications/appeals within stipulated period of RTI Act, 2005. Action taken in this behalf may be brought to the notice of this directorate.

  
(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma)  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.  
Phone No. 0177-2656621

Endst. No. : As above, dated, Shimla- 171001, the 02 August, 2023

Copy to:

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of HP for information, please.
2. The Secretary (AR) to the Govt. of HP w.r.t. letter No. as referred above for information, please.
3. The Nodal Officer (RTI)-cum- Addl. Director Higher Education (Admn.), Directorate of Higher Education, HP, Shimla-1 for information and necessary action.
4. The Supdt., IT Cell, Directorate of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla with the direction to upload the said letter on the official website.

  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

No. Per. (AR)F(10)13/2022  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department of Personnel  
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From

Secretary (AR) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02
2. All the Heads of the Departments/ Corporations/ Boards/ Commissions/Universities/PSUs etc. Himachal Pradesh.
3. All the Divisional/Deputy Commissioners Himachal Pradesh

Dated: Shimla-02 The

20<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

Subject:

**Regarding resolving of online submitted RTI applications/appeals on the dashboard of PIOs/FAAs.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to inform you that the H.P. State Information Commission has brought the following into the notice of this department:-

*“HP State Information Commission has been receiving most of the online second appeals against the RTI applications which are neither responded by the PIO nor by the First Appellate Authorities of various public authorities. This is either the lack of awareness about the online RTI portal among the PIOs or they don't have login credentials of Online RTI Application. This is resulting in increase of the volume of second appeals filed in the State Information Commission”*

In view of above you are informed that this Department has issued credentials to PIOs & FAAs to all the departments and also requested that if any Department/Board/Corporation etc. do not receive same then they can contact with list of PIO & FAA. Further it is requested that kindly inform all your PIOs & FAAs to use RTI portal for disposing the online RTI.

Yours faithfully,

(Mohan Datt)

Joint Secretary (AR) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Phone No 0177-2880672  
July, 2023

Endst. No.Per(AR)F(10)13/2022 Dated Shimla-02

Copy forwarded the Secretary, H.P. State Information Commission, Keonthal Complex Khalini, Shimla-02, w.r.t. your letter No.SIC-145/2022-1549 dated 01-07-2023 for information and necessary action.

Joint Secretary (AR) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

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28/07/2023*