

Summary Report

Subject: Third Party RTI Audit Summary Report for National Institute of Design, Assam

The Right To Information (RTI) Act 2005 under Sub-section 4(2) requires every public authority to take steps in accordance with the requirements of clause (b) of sub-section 4(1) to provide as much information under Suo Moto (Pro-Active) disclosure to the public at regular intervals through various means of communication, including internet, so that the public have minimum resort to use the Act to obtain information. Accordingly, the Public Authorities may proactively disclose the information under the Suo Moto disclosure provisions of Section 4 of RTI Act 2005, in this regard, it is mandatory for every department/organization to carry out compliance third party transparency audit of Suo Moto (proactive) disclosure under the RTI Act 2005.

Section 4 of the RTI Act provides the broad outline of the contents of the websites. Disclosures under this section are expected to: i) enable the citizen to access the information held by PAs without their having to take recourse to the provisions of RTI Act; and b) promote transparency and accountability in the functioning of the government to promote participatory governance.

We appreciate the sincere efforts of National Institute of Design, Assam as Public Authority for sharing the required information on website to maintain the transparency. It has been observed during the Audit that the information relates to few areas has to be shared on website with more clarity like:

- 1. Committee of PIOs/FAAs with rich experience in RTI to identify frequently sought information under RTI needs to be informed and the details of the committee need to be uploaded on website.
- 2. Details of RTI applications received and disposed, details of appeals received, and orders issued need to be uploaded on website.
- Educational programmes uploaded on website are academic programmes.
 Details of educational programmes conducted for advance understanding of RTI need to be uploaded on website.

NPC would like to share positive feedback so that in future all the required information/urls/links may be posted on website to meet the Transparency Audit Metrix.

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