



Comparative Study of Rules

**Framed by the Competent Authorities and Appropriate Governments
Under Right to Information Act, 2005**

Prologue

The Right to Information Act 2005 empowers Appropriate Governments i.e. Central Government, State Governments and Competent Authorities as defined in S.2 (a) and (e) to frame rules under section 27 & S.28 respectively to operationalize and to carry out the provisions of the the Act.

The Appropriate Governments and Competent Authorities have framed their rules. There is debate in the media about a large number of variations, considerable mistakes and doubtful legal propositions in these rules. RTI Cell in Yashada, Pune compiled, examined & analyzed the rules made by 28 appropriate governments and 20 Competent Authorities. This exercise included examining legality, reasonableness and appropriateness of various rules.

The methodology adopted is mostly desk research using web resources & While reviewing the RTI Rules framed we largely drew material form the official websites of the respective Appropriate Governments and Competent Authorities.

These rules are critical, since they lay down application fees, further fees for information requested, mode of payment, procedure for appeals, maintenance of records of requests, appeals etc .

This booklet is in two parts. Part-I deals with rules prepared by the competent authorities and Part-II pertains to 28 rules prepared by the appropriate governments.

This is basically an attempt to enrich capacity building of Public Authorities, Appellate Authorities, RTI trainers, Officers working as Public Information Officers, Assistant Information Officers and other staff. This will also prove to be useful reference for all stakeholders of RTI Act being a very handy for the policy makers and the practitioners as well to understand the implementation status of the Right to Information Act 2005 in the country.

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RTI Rules framed by the Appropriate Governments

General Observations

We have examined the RTI rules framed by the Central Government, seven union territories and twenty eight states and the general observations are as follows:-

1. The rules are made in two categories – the first is regarding fee to be charged and the second is regarding appeal. There is some variation in the fees, which are prescribed as application fee or the fee to inspect the record. However, the fees are nominal, are not prohibitive and will facilitate seeking of information.
2. Appropriate provisions are made for demand and payment of the fees.
3. In addition to the fee prescribed, fees representing the cost also can be charged. Union territory of Chandigarh has given an appropriate guideline for calculating such cost. It says that the cost is to be calculated keeping in mind the cost of human resource, computer time, cost of other resources etc. Some of the states have prescribed the time limit within which additional fee is to be deposited. The majority of the states have not prescribed any such time limit. Since the maximum time for providing the information is 30 days it is necessary that such time limit should be prescribed.
4. Almost all the states have made a rule that people below poverty line are not required to pay any fee or additional fee. The states of Karnataka and Chhattisgarh have limited the free access to information up to certain limit only. Keeping in mind the probable misuse of the provision of the Act to give information free of charge to the BPL person, this provision appears to have been made.
5. The rules generally provide for a format of filing the first and the second appeal, the procedure to file the appeal, rules regarding hearing of the appeal, appearance of the parties and the decision of the commission. The rules are almost similar. The rules have taken care to provide the procedure for hearing which is based on the principle of natural justice.

Rules Framed by Competent Authorities

Central Government, State Governments and the Competent Authority as defined in S.2 (e) are vested with powers to make rules to carry out the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005. (S.27 & S.28). The appropriate governments and competent authorities have framed their rules. There is debate in the media about a large number of variations, considerable mistakes and doubtful legal propositions in these rules.

The RTI Cell in Yashada examined the rules made by 28 appropriate governments and 20 competent authorities. It included legality, reasonableness and appropriateness of various rules. The methodology adopted was following deskwork using web resources. This brief report is in two parts. Part-I deals with rules prepared by the competent authorities and Part-II pertains to 28 rules prepared by the appropriate governments.

Part-I : Rules framed by Competent Authorities

General Observations :

On perusal of the rules made by 19 High Courts and the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha following general observations are made.

1. The High Courts have prescribed application fee as well as other fees under the Act. Though there are variations in the prescribed fees, they are neither exploitative nor prohibitive and could generally be termed as reasonable.
2. A few High Courts have repeated the provisions of the Act in the rules. Such repetition is considered unnecessary and has only added to the volume of the rules.
3. There are typographical mistakes which, at some places, are very serious in nature. In the rules belonging to the High Courts of Bombay, Delhi, Punjab – Haryana exactly similar mistakes are observed in the rules providing for exemptions from disclosure. Some High Courts have also made a reference to a wrong section of the Act.

4. Almost all the High Courts have large number of exemptions from disclosure like the proceedings, which are pending adjudication, confidentiality of various judicial examinations and information, which is not in public domain. The root question is, can the competent authority, while exercising its rule making power, frame rules contradictory to the substantive provisions of the Act? Is it that provisions of section 8 of the Act are only illustrative and not exhaustive? Such questions need to be addressed at appropriate forums.
5. Majority of the High Courts have made rules regarding imposition of penalties when information is not supplied or when it is wrongly given. The Act prescribes more stringent and deterrent penalties, however, the rules have reduced the severity of the penalties. The crucial question is, can the rule making power be used to reduce / dilute the penalties prescribed by the Act?
6. Another issue is that the rule making power under section 27 and section 28 do not extend to providing of penalties. The parent Act has already provided the penalties. In absence of such power, rules prescribing penalties suffer from illegality.
7. Some High Courts insist on a declaration as to motive behind seeking information. In view of Sec. 6(2) of the Act which says that the applicant shall not be required to give any reason for seeking information, an objection as to the propriety to this kind of declaration regarding proper and legal motive can be raised.

It is a matter of surprise that exactly similar mistakes are made by the competent authority/ rule making authority of the High Court. On reading of the rules, an impression is created that the authorities have not applied their mind while drafting the rules and adequate attention is not paid to the final printed text.

The above observations are based on the analysis of the rules prepared by various competent authorities. Comments are offered on rules where it needed special mention in the proceeding.

The rules along with comments are as follows:

Allahabad High Court Rules

1. **Rule 3** – “One particular Item of information” is a vague expression. It needs more clarification.
2. **Rule 13, 14, 15, 16, 17** are also reproduction of the sections in Right to information Act, 2005. Rules need not reproduce the law.
3. **Rule 20 – (a)** In view of S. 6 (2) of the RTI 2005
 - (i) rule 20 (i) is in conflict with S. 6 (2) and may be objected to as ultra virus the parent Act.

20(b) some text of the rule appears to be missing.
4. **Rule (22)** repeats S. 22 of the parent Act.
5. **Rule (26)** Information relating to matters pending adjudication in the High Court or subordinate courts cannot be obtained.

The rule is appropriate; otherwise it will hamper judicial work and administration of justice.

Andhra Pradesh High Court Rules

Rules prescribed are brief and general. Detailing is not done. Rules are within ambit of RTI Act 2005.

Bombay High Court Rules

1. **Rule 5** – requires applicant to appear on the 5th day from the date of submission of the application.
2. **Rule 7** – requires a date to be fixed for preparing and providing information and if for any reason it could not be provided next date is to be fixed.

Comment - If the applicant is going to receive the information personally and not by post, it is expected that the applicant should visit the court to collect information and if it is not ready, is he expected to come to the court again?

The rule will be proved as inconvenient to applicant since they will be required to visit the High Court again and again.

It needs to be reconsidered.

3. **Rule 13** – In addition to exemptions provided by the parent Act in S. 8, the rules have added more exemptions. To that extent rules may be ultra vires.
4. **13(c)** is repetition of a clause in S. 8 of the Act.
5. **13(d)** is also repetition of a provision in S. 8 of the Act..

There is also a mistake in the last part of line no. 2 and the beginning of line no. 3. It seems to be a typographical mistake. The wording as per the Act should have been –

“or information which does not relate to any public activity or interest.”

6. **Rule 13(9)** – is irrelevant for the purposes of rules to be made by the High Court for its own functioning. High Court is not in the preview of S. 24 (4) of the Act.
7. **Form** - As under Section 6(1) of the Act –
8. **Q. no. 6** - The question is vague, not clear. Does it mean that whether the information is not voluntarily disclosed?

Chhattisgarh High Court Rules

1. **Rule (6)** suffers from same inconvenience as commented upon for the Bombay High Court rules for applicants who wish to collect information personally.
2. **Form C contains Q.5** - It is irrelevant for the purpose of High Court. Similar observations are made for rules made for District Courts in Chhattisgarh.

Kolkatta High Court Rules

1. **Rule 7** – provides for penalty, which is much lesser than the one provided

by the Parent Act of 2005.

2. The rules making power cannot be used to reduce the penalty prescribed by law. It is ultra vires. No power is conferred on the Competent Authority to prescribe penalty.

Delhi High Court Rules

1. Rule (5)(a)(b) reproduce exemptions enumerated u/s 8 of the Act.

Rule (5) (b) contains an error in last part of line 7 and the beginning of line 8. It should include the word 'does not' before the words 'relate to any public activity or interest'.

Omission of the word 'not' in the rule is resulting into a contradiction between the Act and the rule.

2. Rule 8 (i) (ii) have reduced penalties compared to those prescribed by law.

Gujarat High Court Rules

1. Rule 6 (1) & (2) – provides for penalties. It has reduced the penalty prescribed by the Act.

2. Form A – Sr. No. 4 – 'I state that the information sought does not fall within the restrictions contain in section 6 of the Act &.....'

Comment - Section 6 of the act does not provide for any restrictions and reference to section 6 in the above declaration is irrelevant.

3. Form B – Sr. No. 4 – states 'In case the applicant fails to turn up on the scheduled date (s) the authorized person shall not be responsible for delay if any.'

Comment - There seems to be no reason in law which will support this stand of the authorized person. Since the public information officer has to dispose of the application within 30 days presence of the applicant is immaterial. Absence of the applicant cannot be a ground for the authorized person to delay the disposal.

Guwahati High Court Rules

1. Rule 3 (b) – every application shall be made for one particular item of information only.

Comment – the meaning of the expression particular item of information is not clear. It is vague and ambiguous and is capable of more than one meaning. It needs to be clarified.

2. **Rule 5** – In addition to the exemptions prescribed under Sec. 8 of the Act rule adds more exemptions.
3. **Rule 5 c** contains a mistake in last portion of line 2 and the beginning of line 3. the wording should have been as follows 'information which does not relate to any public activity or interest. The word not is omitted and thus has contradicted a provision of the Act. This mistake needs to be corrected.
4. **Rule 8** – provides penalties. It has reduced the penalties than the one prescribed by the Act.
5. **Rule 9** prescribes application fee. Rule 9 A I & II are not properly worded and there is confusion in a drafting it needs to be corrected.
6. Acknowledgement of application in Form A (Rule 3 (c) Sr. No. 4. says that in case the applicant fails to turn up on the scheduled date (s) the authorized person shall not be responsible.

Comment – since the application for information is mandatory required to be disposed of within 30 days the question of the applicant turning up does not arise. Secondly the rules prepared by the Gauwahati High Court do not mention anywhere when the dates are to be scheduled and who is responsible to schedule the dates. In absence of any specific provision this form should not have included the matter at Sr. No. 4 as mentioned above.

Himachal Pradesh High Court Rules

Rule 3 (1) it provides that a separate application shall be made in respect of each subject and in respect of each year to which the information

relates. The provision is much clear if compared to the provision made by some other High Courts

Jharkhand High Court Rules

1. **Rule 9 (a) I** – provides that information will be furnished only if the furnishing of such information requested for with a positive assertion that the motive for obtaining the information is proper and legal.

Comment – Sec. 6 (2) of the Act makes a specific provision that the applicant shall not be required to give any reason for requesting the information. The rule mentioned above if examined in light of sub section 2 of sec 6 raises a doubt on validity of making such positive assertion. [There is a doubt whether obtaining this kind of undertaking is valid].

Kerala High Court Rules

The rules are very precise and comply with the spirit of the legislation.

Madras High Court Rules

The rules are very brief and have been made only to the extent of charge of fees.

There is a list of various subjects, details of which could be made available to public with the approval of the chief justice. It is more about voluntary disclosure and not about the working of the provisions of the Act.

Madhya Pradesh High Court Rules

1. **Form A** – Sr. No. 4 – ' I state that the information sought does not fall within the restrictions contain in section 6 of the Act and

Comment - Section 6 of the Act does not provide for any restrictions and reference to section 6 in the above declaration is irrelevant.

Orissa High Court Rules

1. **Rule 4 (a)** prescribes an application with declaration on oath in appendix II & appendix II A. A portion of the declaration says that 'the information sought for by me are not coming within the preview of Sec. 8 (1) (a) to (j) of the Act'.

Comment - whether the information sought for falls within the exemption under sec. 8 (1) (a) to (j) is a matter to be decided by the public authority or competent authority and therefore declaration on oath to this effect does not serve any purpose and one fails to understand the need for making this declaration.

Patna High Court Rules

1. **Rule 6** provides for penalties it has reduced penalty in comparison with the penalty prescribed by the Act.
2. **Form A - 4** states that 'I state that the information sought does not fall within the restrictions contained in Sec. 8 of the Act.....'

Comment - It is for the public information officer/public authority/competent authority to decide whether the information asked for falls within the restrictions mentioned in Sec. 8. Therefore this kind of declaration does not serve any purpose.

Punjab & Haryana High Court Rules

1. **Rule 4 (b)** last portion of line no. 9 and the beginning of line no 10 contains a mistake. The wording should have been as follows 'information which does not relate to any public activity or interest omission of the word not results into contradiction with the provision of the Act. It needs to be corrected.
2. In addition to exemptions under Sec. 8 A rule 4 has added more exemptions from disclosure.
3. **Rule 9** prescribes penalties much lower in comparison with the penalties prescribed by the Act.

Rajasthan High Court

1. **Rule 10** provides for certain categories of information that shall not be provided to any applicant. Obviously this is in addition to exemptions prescribed under sec 8 of the Act. The issue, therefore, to be addressed is whether provisions of Sec. 8 are exhaustive or are merely illustrative.
2. **Rule 10 (2)** also provides for mandatory declarations to be made by applicant regarding his proper and legal motive. The expression 'proper motive' is not very clear.
3. **Form A - 4** states that 'I state that the information sought does not fall within the restrictions contained in Sec. 8 of the Act.....!'

Comment - It is for the public information officer/public authority/competent authority to decide whether the information asked for falls within the restrictions mentioned in Sec. 8 therefore, it is not clear whether such declaration serves any purpose.

Sikkim High Court Rules

Rule 19 provides that information is to be given only if the information is requested for with a positive assertion that the motive for the obtaining such information is proper and legal. Since sec. 6 (2) of the Act specifically provides that the applicant shall not be required to give any reason for requesting the information this kind of mandatory undertaking is against the spirit of the law.

If the procedure is followed the chances that the orders of the commission will be set aside by the High Court under its writ jurisdiction are nil.

6. The state of Arunachal Pradesh has also made a rule (Rule 6 (1) & (2)) providing for penalties for failure to give information. It has reduced the penalty in comparison with the penalty prescribed by the Act. The rule making power is conferred under Sec. 27 & 28 with reference to specific matters for which rules are to be made. Prescribing penalties under the rules is not at all provided by the Act. Therefore making a rule, which is contradictory to the original provision of Act, will be illegal.
7. It is also observed that while prescribing the format of application to seek information sometimes it is provided that the applicant has to make a statement that the information sought for does not come within the purview of restrictions (exemptions) put under section 8 of the Act. Since it is for the competent authority/public authority/the state public information officer to decide whether the information is within the exemptions such declaration serves no purpose and needs to be withdrawn from the format.
8. Generally, the rules provide that the presence of the appellant at the hearing of the appeal is not mandatory but optional and appeal may be decided in his absence.
9. Rest of the rules regarding filing of appeals, hearing the appeals and the decision making are appropriately made.

References :

Web Resources-

1. <http://www.sakshitrust.org/>
2. <http://www.humanrightsinitiative.org/programs/ai/rti/rti.htm>
3. <http://rti.gov.in/>

Sr. No	State/ Central Govt.	Application Fee	forms	Proof of Identity	Modes of Payment for application Fee	Time Limit for Depositing Additional Fee	Fees For Accesses
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island	Rs. 10/- per Application	-	-	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	-	I) A4 or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page; II) Large size paper -actual cost price of copy; III) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per page of photocopy for extract from publication
2	Chandigarh	Rs. 10/- per Application	-	-	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal order	-	I) A4 or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page; II) Large size paper - actual cost or charge of a copy; III) Information provided in printed form - price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per page of photocopy for extract from publication
3	Daman & Diu	Rs. 25/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Fee Payable through Challan at treasury (i.e. SBI, Daman & State Bank of Saurashtra, Diu)	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page; II) Large size paper -actual cost of copy;
4	Dadra Nagar Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Delhi	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	By Cash	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created / copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper -actual cost of copy;
6	Pondichery	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque Modes of payment for Application In Electronic form: Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	I) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper -actual charge or cost price of a copy;
7	Lakshadweep	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	-	A4/A3 Paper Created /copied - Rs.2/- per page; Large size paper -actual cost of copy; Information provided in printed form-price fixed for such publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication

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1	Central Govt.	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Not prescribed	A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page; Large size paper -actual cost of copy; Information provided in printed form- price fixed for such publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication.
2	Arunachal Pradesh	i) Rs. 50/- per application- where an application is submitted electronically, the application fee must be submitted within 7 days from the date of application ii)Rs. 500/- per application for information relating to tender documents/bids/quotation/business contracts	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Treasury Challan	Not prescribed	i) Rs. 5/- per page ii) priced publication -at price so fixed
3	Assam	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	a
4	Andhra Pradesh	i) No fee for application to public authorities at the village level ii) Rs. 5/- per application to public authorities at Mandal Level iii) Rs.10/- per application to all other public authorities	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	i) Publication printed matter, text, maps, plans, floppies,CDs, models or material in any other form, which are priced-at the sale price thereof i) A4/A3 - Rs.2/- per each page per copy ii) Any larger size paper - actual cost thereof iii) Maps & plans - actual cost iv) Postal charges are additional
5	Bihar	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or Pay Order or non judicial stamp	Not prescribed	i) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page; ii) Information provided in printed form- price fixed for such

Floppies/ Diskettes	Samples	Inspection	Modes of Payment for Additional Fee Sub-section 7 (c)	Procedure for filing Appeals	Modes of Fee Payment for Appeals	Official RTI Website
Rs. 50 per Item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs.5/- For each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the Central information commis- sion accompanied I) attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred;ii) copies of docu- ment relied upon by the appellant and referred to in the appeal and referred to in the appeal and II) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal	No fee prescribed	<a href="http://righttoinforma-
tion.gov.in">http://righttoinforma- tion.gov.in
Not prescribed	Not prescribed		Treasury Challan	I) Process for filing first appeal within public authority not prescribed II) Appeal through proforma to the State Information Commission accompanied by appeal fee of Rs.50/- and original copy of challan	Treasury Challan	<a href="http://rti.gov.in/mem-
bers/arunachal">http://rti.gov.in/mem- bers/arunachal
Rs. 50 per Item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs. For each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	No fee prescribed	<a href="http://www.apic.go-
v.in">http://www.apic.go- v.in
Rs. 50 per Item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs. 5 For each hr or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or Pay Order	Process for filing first appeals within public authority is prescribed within thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, prefer an appeal to the Appellate Authority; second appeal to the state information commission on plain paper in prescribed format, accompanied by I) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being made;ii) copies of document referred to and relied upon by the appellant III) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal.	By Cash	http://bsic.co.in
Rs. 50 per Item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs. 5 For each hr or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or Pay Order	Process for filing first appeals within public authority is prescribed within thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, prefer an appeal to the Appellate Authority; second	By Cash	http://bsic.co.in

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							publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication.
6	Chhatisgarh	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or Treasury Challan	Not prescribed	i) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied- Rs.2/- per page; ii) information provided in printed form- price fixed for such publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication.
7	Gujrat	Rs. 10/- per Application Rs. 20/- per application- where	Form prescribed but typed	Not prNot prescribed escribed	Cash Wherever facility for cash receipt is avallabel, or demand draft or pay order or non judicial stamp	Not prescribed	i) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied- Rs.2/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost of copy; ii) information in the form of publication - actual price

Floppies/ Diskettes	Samples	Inspection	Modes of Payment for Additional Fee Sub-section 7 (c)	Procedure for filing Appeals	Modes of Fee Payment for Appeals	Official RTI Website
				<p>appeal to the state information commission on plain paper in prescribed format, accompanied by I) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being made; II) copies of document referred to and relied upon by the appellant III) an index of the documents referred to in the appeal.</p>		
Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	<p>Rs.50 For BPL requestors : If information relates to life of person - to be provided in form requested ; If other information , which can be given in 50 photo copied A4 pages within Rs.100/- to be Provided in form requested; if more than Rs. 100/- requestor to inspect records/files Non BPL requestors : If information relates to life of person - to be provided in the form requested, cost of production at Rs. 100 per page or calculated by considering cost of human resources, computer time etc</p>	Not prescribed	<p>I) Process for filing first appeal within public authority is prescribed by appeal fee of Rs 50/- (Appeal by post Rs.75) ii) Second appeal through proforma application accompanied by certified copy of order against which the appeal being made , copies of document referred and relied upon by the appellant. appeal fee of Rs 100/- (Appeal by post Rs.125/-</p>	By cash or treasury Challan or money order or Non Judicial Stamp	http://chhattisgarh.nic.in/
Rs. 50 per item	Amount of actual cost and according to procedures set out by relevant department for samples ,models or photographs	No. fee for for first hour and fee of Rs.5/- for each subsequent hour (or fraction thereof) thereafter	No. fee for for first hour and fee of Rs.5/- for each subsequent hour (or fraction thereof) thereafter	I) First appeal through proforma to Appellate Authority II) Second appeal through proforma application accompanied by certified copy of order against which the appeal being made , copies of document referred and relied upon by the appellant	No fee prescribed	http://gic.guj.nic.in

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8	Goa	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or by demand draft or bankers cheque	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper - actual charge or cost price of copy; III) Information in the form of publication - actual price, if only an extract or page of such a printed document - Rs.2 per page
9	Haryana	Rs. 50/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or by treasury challan	Within 15 days after the issuance of the intimation	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.10/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost of copy; III) Information in the form of publication -actual price, if only an extract or page of such a printed document - Rs.10 perpage
10	Himachal Pradesh	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Govt.treasury	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.10/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost of copy; ii) information in the form of publication - actual price, if only an extract or page of such a printed document - Rs.10 per page of A-4 size or smaller and actual cost subject to minimum of Rs. 20 per page in case of larger size.
11	Jharkhand	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper - actual cost of copy;III) information in the form of publication - actual cost for photocopies or extracts-Rs. 2/- per page

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Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour and fee of Rs.5/- for each subsequent hour (or fraction thereof) thereafter	By way of cash against proper receipt or demand draft or bankers cheque	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the State information commission, Appeal to be accompanied by I) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred, unless the appeal is preferred against deemed refusal II) copies of document relied upon by the applicant and referred to in the appeal;III) an Index of documents referred to in an appeal.	—	http://egov.goa.nic. in/rti/public/sic.asp x
Floppy Rs.50/- Diskette : Rs.100/-	-	Inspection of records- no fee for first an hour. Thereafter Rs. 10/- For each 15 minutes and fraction thereof	By way of cash against proper receipt or Govt. treasury challan	—	—	http://ccharyana.g ov.in
Floppy:Rs .50/- Diskette : Rs.100/-	-	Inspection of records- Rs. 10/- For each 15 minutes and fraction thereof	-	Every appeal made to the Appellate Authority/ commission shall be accompanied by I) self attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being made;ii) copies of document referred to and relied upon by the appellant iii) an index of the documents referred to in the appeal. iv) challan in proof of the payment of the prescribed fee	—	http://admls.hp.nic .in/sic
Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	—————	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	I) Process for filing first appeal within public authority not prescribed II) Appeal to the State Information Commission accompanied by a copy of the order against which the appeal being made and an Index of documents referred to in the appeal. Outlines the procedure to be followed by the commission before deciding an appeal.	No fee prescribed	http://jharkhand.n ic.in/

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12	Karnataka	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed or any other format as far as possible containing the particulars specified under the format to the SPIO	Not prescribed	Indian Postal order or demand draft or banker's cheque or pay order drawn in favour of SPIO or in cash or by remitting it to the treasury as per the Karnataka Financial Code	Not prescribed	i) A4 paper copies - Rs.2/- per page ii) Maps, plans, reports, perfil record, technical data, sample or models- reasonable fee fixed by PIO depending on cost of labour and material required to be employed
13	Kerala	Rs. 10/- per Application	form Prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or court fee stamp or pay order or by remitting the amount in the Govt. treasury	Not prescribed	i) A4 paper copies - Rs.2/- per page ii) Large Size Paper actual Charge or cost price of the copy iii) For Information provided in printed form, rupees two for each page or the actual price fixed for such publication.
14	Madhya Pradesh	Rs. 10/- per Application	form Prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash against receipt or non judicial stamp	Not prescribed	i) Proactive disclosure information -Rs.10/- per applications ii) printed or electronic Format- actual cost
15	Maharashtra	Rs. 10/- per Application	Plain paper in given format	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or court fee stamp	Not prescribed	i) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page plus postal charges; ii) Large size paper -actual cost of copy plus postal charges; iii) Fixed price as set by Department for some Maps/ document etc- fixed price plus postal charges iv) information provided in printed form- price fixed for such publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication.v) No postal charges if applicant collects in person

Floppies/ Diskettes	Samples	Inspection	Modes of Payment for Additional Fee Sub-section 7 (c)	Procedure for filing Appeals	Modes of Fee Payment for Appeals	Official RTI Website
1) Floppy /Diskette- Rs.50-per item	A reasonable fee fixed by the PIO IN each case depending on the cost of labour and material required to be employed	1) No. fee for for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 20/- for each half an hour or fraction thereof. 1) Reasonable fee shall be fixed by the PIO in each case depending on the cost of labour and material required to be employed.	Indian Postal order or demand draft or banker's cheque or pay order drawn in favour of SPIO or in cash or by remitting it to the treasury as per the Karnataka Financial Code	1) First appeal to the Appellate Authority accompanied by a copy of the order, if any appealed against, and it shall specify: particulars of applicant, SPIO appealed against, grounds of appeal and relief claimed by the applicants.1) second appeal to the state information commission accompanied by a copy of the order, if any, appealed against and it shall specify: particulars of applicant. SPIO appealed against, date of receipt of order from SPIO appealed against, grounds of appeal & relief claimed by the applicant.	No fee prescribed	http://www.kar.nic.in/
1) Floppy /Diskette- Rs.50-per item.	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 10/- for each Half an hour or fraction thereof.	by way of cash against proper receipt or remitting the amount in the treasury or by demand draft, or bankers cheque or pay order	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the state information commission accompanied 1) attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred;ii) copies of document relied upon by the appellant and referred to in the appeal and 11) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal	No fee prescribed	http://www.prd.kerala.gov.in/home.htm
1) Floppy/ Diskette- actual cost decided by SPIO & SAPIO	cost as determined by SPIO & SAPIO	1) Rs. 50/- for first hour or less than one hour. Thereafter Rs. 25/- each fifteen minutes or Fraction thereof	Cash against receipt or non judicial stamp	1) First appeal to Appellate Authority accompanied by a memorandum of appeal and appeal fee of Rs.50/- 1)Second appeal to the State Information Commission accompanied by a memorandum of appeal & an appeal of Rs.100/-	Cash or non judicial stamp	http://www.mp.nic.in/services/right2info.asp
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item plus postal charges	Not Prescribed	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or money order	1)First appeal to Appellate Authority on plain paper in form prescribed accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs. 20/- 1) Second appeal to state Information commission on plain paper in prescribed format accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs. 20/-	Cash against receipt or Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque or court fee stamp	http://www.maharashtra.gov.in/Index.php

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16	Manipur	Rs. 10/- per Application	-	-	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque payable to the Accounts Officer of the Public Authority	-	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page ; ii) Large size paper - actual charge or cost price of a copy; II) information provided in printed form- price fixed for such publication or Rs. 2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication.v) No postal charges if applicant collects in person
17	Meghalaya	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Not prescribed	I) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper - actual cost of copy;II) information in the form of publication -actual cost for photocopies or extracts-Rs. 2/- per page
18	Mizoram	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	An electoral photo identity card, a passport or any other document which can satisfy the authority about citizenship of the person	Treasury Chellan or cash or court fee stamp	-	i) A4/A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Print out from computer-Rs. five per page ii) Maps & Plans -Reasonable cost to be fixed by P.I.O. depending upon the cost of labour and material and equipment and other ancillary expenses.
19	Nagaland	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	-	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or bankers cheque	Not prescribed	Information in the form of publication -actual cost for photocopies or extracts-Rs. 2/- per page

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1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item plus postal charges	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each 15 minutes (or fraction thereof) thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	-	-	-
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item plus postal charges	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the State Information commission, Appeal to be accompanied by 1) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred; 1) copies of document relied upon by the applicant and referred to in the appeal; 1) an Index of documents referred to in an appeal.	Not prescribed	http://www.meghalaya.nic.in
Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Cash Against proper receipt	-	Court fee Stamp	http://msic.mizoram.gov.in
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item plus postal charges	Not Prescribed	Not Prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the State Information commission, Appeal to be accompanied by 1) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred; 1) copies of document relied upon by the applicant and referred to in the appeal; 1) an Index of documents referred to in an appeal. Outlines the procedure to be followed by the commission in deciding an appeal	Not prescribed	http://nlsic.gov.in

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20	Orissa	Rs. 20/- per Application	Form prescribed	Electoral Photo Identity Card, Passport or any other Document which can Satisfy the authority about the Citizenship of the person	Challan Payable at treasury	Within Fifteen Days From the date of Receipt of Information from the PIO	I) A4 size typed copy/ photocopy-Rs. 5/- page. II) A4 print out from computer- Rs. 10/- Page. III) Maps & Plans - reasonable cost fixed by PIO depending upon the cost of labour, material, equipment and other ancillary expenses. IV) Video Cassette /Microfilm/microfiche - reasonable cost fixed by PIO depending upon the cost of labour, material, equipment and other ancillary expenses
21	Punjab	Rs. 50/- per Application	form Prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Challan Payable at treasury	Within 15 days after the issuance of the intimation	i) A4 or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.10/- per page;II) Large size paper - actual cost price of paper;III) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.10/- per page for extract
22	Rajasthan	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	i) A4 or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;II) Large size paper - actual cost price of copy;III) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per page of photocopy for extract from publication
23	Sikkim	Rs. 100/- per Application	Form prescribed	Certified copy of Sikkim Subject Certificate, certified copy of Certificate of Identification , Attested copy of Passport, certified copy of Electoral Roll	Bank receipt, Where an application is received electronically	-	I) A4 or A3 Paper Created / copied -Rs.10/- per page plus postal charges ;II) Large size paper-actual charge or cost price of copy plus postal charges; III) When the concerned department has already fixed the price of charges some documents, samples, models, maps etc. - the price fixed for publication plus postal charges IV) Information provided in printed form-price fixed for each publication or Rs. 5/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication

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I) CD will cover- Rs. 100/- II) Floppy Diskette (1.44 MB) - Rs.100/-	Reasonable Cost to be fixed by PIO depending upon the cost of labour, material, equipment and other ancillary expenses	Inspection of records- Rs.16/- per hour or fraction thereof	Cash	I) first appeal through proforma to Appellate Authority accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs. 40/- II) Second appeal through proforma to state Information commission accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs. 50/-	Court fee Stamp	http://orissagovt.nic.in/righttoinformation/index.htm
I) Floppy - Rs.50/- ii) Diskette- Rs.100/-	Not Prescribed	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 10/- for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Not prescribed	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the state information commission Outlines the procedure to be followed by the Commission in deciding an appeal.	No fee prescribed	http://punjabgovt.nic.in/Right of Information Act/index.htm
I) Floppy /Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the state information commission on plain paper in prescribed format, accompanied by I) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being made;II) copies of document referred to and relied upon by the appellant. II) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal. Outlines the procedure to be followed by the Commission in deciding an appeal	No fee prescribed	http://www.rajaasthan.gov.in/tact2005.shtm
-	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each subsequent Fifteen minutes (or fraction thereof) thereafter	Bank of receipt under Major Head 0070.OAS(E)	Process for filing first appeals within public authority is prescribed within thirty days from the date of receipt of the order, prefer an appeal to the Law Secretary who shall be the Appellate Authority ; second appeal to the state information commission on plain paper in prescribed format, accompanied by I) an attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being made;II) copies of document referred to and relied upon by the appellant. II) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal.Outlines the procedure to be followed by the Commission in deciding an appeal	Bank receipt to be deposited under Major Head 0070.OAS (E)	http://www.cicslkd.m.gov.in/

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24	Tamilnadu	Rs. 50/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Not prescribed	i) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost price of copy;iii) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication.
25	Tripura	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt	Not prescribed	i) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page (per Impression);ii) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication o Rs. 2/- per page for extract for publication
26	Uttarakhand	Rs. 10/- per Application	Not prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order or Chellan Payable at treasury or Non Judicial Stamp Paper	-	i) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost price of copy;iii) information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per pageof photocopy for extract from publication
27	Uttarpradesh	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	-	i) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost price of copy;iii) information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per pageof photocopy for extract from publication
28	West Bengal	Rs. 10/- per Application	Form prescribed	Not prescribed	a court fee stamp or Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Not prescribed	i) A4or A3 Paper Created /copied-Rs.2/- per page;ii) Large size paper - actual cost price of copy;iii) Information provided in printed form -price fixed for publication or Rs.2/- per pageof photocopy for extract from publication

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1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed.	No fee prescribed	http://www.tnsc.gov.in
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item (provided the Computerized Information is available)	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for every subsequent 15 minutes or part thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt	Process for filing first appeals within public authority not prescribed; second appeal to the state information commission accompanied by a memorandum in writing.	No fee prescribed	http://rtti/pura.nic.in
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for every subsequent 15 minutes or part thereafter	-	-	-	http://gov.us.nic.in/uit
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for each subsequent 15 minutes or part thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	-	-	http://upsc.up.nic.in
1) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Rs. 5/- for each subsequent 15 minutes or part thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian Postal Order	Every appeal made to the Commission shall be accompanied by the following documents, namely 1) attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred; ii) copies of document relied upon by the appellant and referred to in the appeal and iii) an Index of the documents referred to in the appeal	-	http://wbic.gov.in

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I) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs.5/- For each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or by a demand draft or banker's cheque	-	-	http://www.and.nic.in/Citizen%20Services/rti/rti1.htm
I) Floppy/ Diskette- Rs.50-per item	Actual cost or price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs.5/- For each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or by a demand draft or banker's cheque or Indian postal order	-	-	http://chandigarh.nic.in/citizen_right.htm
I) Floppy- Rs. 50/- per item II) CD-Rs. 100 per item III) Supply of information in electronic media form subject to availability of necessary facility	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Fee Payable through Challan at treasury (i.e. SBI, Daman & State Bank of Saunashtra, Diu)	Process is not prescribed	No fee prescribed	http://www.daman.nic.in/rti/5.pdf
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Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	No. fee for for first hour. Rs. 5/- for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Prescribed fee can be deposited in cash with finance Department of NSTFDC, New Delhi against proper receipt or by DD or banker's cheque	Every appeal to the State Information commission, Appeal to be accompanied by I) self attested true copy of the order against which the appeal is being preferred, unless the appeal is preferred against deemed refusal II) copies of document relied upon by the applicant and referred to in the appeal;III) an Index of documents referred to in an appeal.	-	http://ar.delhigovt.nic.in
Not Prescribed	Actual cost or price for Samples or models	No. fee for first hour. Thereafter Rs. 5/- for each subsequent hour (or fraction thereof)	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	I) first appeal through proforma to Appellate Authority accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs.50/-; II) Second appeal through proforma to Pondicherry state Information commission accompanied by an appeal fee of Rs.100/- Document to accompany appeal : I) Self attested copies of the orders or documents against which the appeal is being	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	http://www.pon.nic.in/rti/
Rs. 50 per item	Actual cost of price for Samples or models	Inspection of records- no fee for first hour. Rs.5/- For each 15 minutes or fraction thereof thereafter	Cash Against proper receipt or demand draft or banker's cheque	-	-	http://kakehadweap.nic.in/rti.htm

Comparative Study of Right to Information Rules framed by various Competent Authorities

Sr. No.	Name of Competent Authority	Application Fee Rs.	Fees for Inspection	First Appeal fee Rs.	Second Appeal fee Rs.	Further Fee Rs.	Mode of payment	Jurisdiction
1	Lok Sabha Right to Information Rules, 2006	Rs. 10	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Not Prescribed	Not specified	Rs. 2 per A-3 /A-4 page Actual charge for large size paper, model, sample etc. Rs. 50 per diskette or floppy	Cash or Draft or Bankers Cheque Money Order, Postal Order	Rule applicable to Lok Sabha Secretariate
2	Rajya Sabha Secretariate Right to Information Rules, 2005	Rs. 10	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Not Prescribed	Not specified	Rs. 2 per A-3 /A-4 page Actual charge for large size paper, model, sample etc. Rs. 50 per diskette or floppy	Cash, Demand Draft, Bankers Cheque Money Order or postal order	Rule applicable to Rajya Sabha Secretariate.

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1	Allahabad High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 500	Not Prescribed	Not Prescribed	Rs. 15 per page	Cash or Draft or Pay Order	Rule- 20 (b)- After the processing of the application therefor, permission has been obtained in that behalf from Hon'ble the Chief Justice, or any of the other Hon'ble Judges of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, or its Lucknow Bench, who might in that regard be, or have been, nominated by Hon'ble the Chief Justice.	Jurisdiction
							Rule-25 & 26 - Information accessible under Allahabad High Court Rules 1952 or General Rules (Civil/Criminal) shall not be accessible under this rule.	
2	Andhra Pradesh High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 25	Rs. 15 for inspection per hour or part thereof	Not Prescribed	Rs. 5 per page	Adhesive Court Fee Stamps	—	Rule applicable Andhra Pradesh High Court, its Subordinate Courts
3	Bombay High Court Right to Information (Revised) Rules, 2009 & Maharashtra District Courts Right to Information (Revised) Rules 2009	Rs. 10	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Rs. 20	Rs. 5 per typed page	Application, Appeal Inspection & Further Fee by Court Fee Stamp, DD, Banker Cheque Money Order/or by Cash	Rule-6 Any Further/additional fees should be deposited within 15 days otherwise application will stand rejected	Rule applicable Bombay High Court, its Subordinate Courts
					Rs. 2 per page photo copy		Rule 4- Applicant to submit alongwith RTI application a self addressed envelope bearing postal stamps of value prescribed for R.P.A.D.	
					Rs. 5 per page computer printout		Rule 11- Inspection is allowed only between 14.00 and 17.30 Hrs. (14.00 to 17.00 for Subordinate cCourts) Rule- Information pertaining to judicial proceedings or record can only be obtained as per procedure prescribed in Bombay High Court Rules and Orders	
					Rs. 10/- for inspection per hour			

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4	Chattisgarh High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 12	Rs. 10 per hour	Rs. 40	Rs. 10 per typed page Rs. 10 per page photo copy Rs. 15 per page computer printout Rs. 10/- for inspection per hour	Application & Inspection Fee by Court Fee Stamp / Further Fee by Cash	<p>Rule 10- Inspection is allowed only between 14.00 and 16.00 Hrs. (14.00 to 16.00 for Subordinate Courts)</p> <p>Rule-11- Applicant shall submit application for inspection of record related to Court as per Chapter 11 of M. P. High Court Rules and Orders</p> <p>Rule-9(Proviso) Information pertaining to judicial proceedings or record can only be obtained as per procedure prescribed in Madhya Pradesh Court Rules and Orders.</p>	Rule applicable Bombay High Court, Its Subordinate Courts
5	Calcutta High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006			Rs. 50	Rs. 10 per typed page	Application & Inspection Fee by Court Fee Stamp / Further Fee by Cash	<p>Rule-7 Penalty of Rs. 50/- per day for delay beyond prescribed period of 30 days and not exceeding Rs. 500/- per application filed as determined by Appellate Authority. Penalty of Rs. 1000/- giving false information. Rule 4(1) - Request for information held by other public authorities are returned to applicant (Form-B)</p>	Rule applicable to Kolkata High Court and its Subordinate Courts
6	Delhi High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 50		Rs. 50	Rs. 5.00 per page Rs. 10.00 per page for "urgent"	Cash	<p>1. Information about decisions which are taken administratively or quasi-judicially shall only be given to the "affected persons" (there is a CIC order against this rule)</p> <p>2. Such information which is not in the public domain or does not relate to judicial functions and duties of the Court and matters incidental and ancillary thereto.</p> <p>3. Any information affecting the confidentiality of any examination conducted by Delhi High Court including Judicial Service and Delhi Higher Judicial Service. The question of confidentiality shall be decided by the Competent</p>	Rule applicable to Delhi High Court and its Subordinate Courts

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7	Gujrat High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 50 (Rs. 500 for information regarding tender/ contracts/ bids.	No mention of Inspection fee	Rs. 50	Rs. 5.00 per page price fixed for publications	Application & Inspection Fee by Court Fee Stamp / Further Fee by Cash	Date of application will be the date on which all fees have been paid Penalty for delay in furnishing information, Rs. 50.00 per day subject to a maximum of Rs. 500.00 For supplying false information a penalty of Rs. 1000.00	Rule applicable to Gujrat High Court and its Subordinate Courts
8	Gujrat High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 10.00 Rs. 100.00 for information regarding administrative or quasi-judicial decisions (to be given only to the affected persons)	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Rs. 50	Rs. 5.00 per page Rs. 10.00 per page for "urgent"	Cash, DD or Banker Cheque	Authority whose decision shall be final. (there is a CIC order against this rule)	Rule applicable Bombay High Court, its Subordinate Courts
9	High Court of Himachal Pradesh (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 10.00	Rs. 10/- per 15 minutes or fraction thereof	No Fee Prescribed	Rs. 10.00 per page of A4-A3 information Rs. 20.00 per page larger size. Rs. 15.00 per page for computer printout	Challan, Demand Draft, Postal Order	1. Information pertaining to judicial proceedings or record can only be obtained as per procedure prescribed in MP High Court Rules and Orders 2. Inspection is allowed only between 1400 and 1600 Hrs	Rule applicable Himachal Pradesh High Court, its Subordinate Courts

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10	Jharkhand High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	No Fee Prescribed	Rs. 50 for one hour or part thereof for inspection	Rs. 15	Rs. 15 per page	Adhesive Court Fee Stamps	Rule-11 to 13- Information accessible under Jharkhand High Court Rules 2001 or General Rules (Civil/Criminal) shall not be accessible under this rule. Rule- 9- Positive assertion of motive by applicant (Column 4 - Purpose of Request prescribed in Register in Appendix)	Rule applicable to Gujrat High Court and its Subordinate Courts
							Rule-9 - Information to be provided with prior permission of Chief Justice or any High Court Judge as may be nominated.	
							Rule- 6- Information as requested by the party shall be provided in the form of certified copies/Xerox copies certified to be true by the State Public Information Officer	
11	Karnataka High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2005	Rs.10	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each fifteen minutes or fraction thereof	Not specified	Rs. 2 per page photocopy Rs. 3/- per page for copy	Cash	Rule- 7 - Information furnished shall be certified by the State Public Information Officer	Rule applicable to Karnataka High Court and its subordinate courts
					Actual charge for large size paper		Rule-13- No application for information or document relating to a policy matter under consideration shall be entertained.	
					Actual charge for large size paper Rs. 50 per diskette or floppy			

Sr. No.	Name of Competent Authority	Application Fee Rs.	Fees for Inspection	First Appeal fee Rs.	Further Fee Rs.	Mode of payment	Important features of Rule	Jurisdiction
12	Kerala High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 10	Rs. 10 for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 50 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Rs. 50	Rs. 1/- per page Actual charge for large size paper Actual charge for large size paper Rs. 50 per diskette or floppy	Demand Draft, Banker's Cheque, or cash	8 categories of information listed can be made available to public subject to approval of Hon. Chief Justice 21 categories of information listed can be made available to public subject to approval of Hon. Chief Justice	Rule applicable Madras High Court, Bench at Maduaral & its Subordinate Courts
13	Madras High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 50	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof	Not specified	Rs. 1/- per page Actual charge for large size paper Actual charge for large size paper Rs. 50 per diskette or floppy	Demand Draft, Banker's Cheque, or cash	28 categories of information listed can be made available to public subject to approval of Hon. Chief Justice 21 categories of information listed can be made available to public subject to approval of Hon. Chief Justice	Rule applicable Madras High Court, Bench at Maduaral & its Subordinate Courts
14	Madhya Pradesh High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 50 (Rs. 500 for information regarding tender/ contracts/ bids.	Not specified	Rs. 50	Actual cost of priced publications	Non-Judicial Stamp		Rule applicable Madhya Pradesh High Court, & its Subordinate Courts

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15	Orissa High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 2006	Rs. 50	Not specified	Not specified	Rs. 20.00 per page containing not more than 180 words Actual cost of priced publication	Non-Judicial Stamp	The cost of the RTI Application form is Rs. 10.00 Separate application shall be filed for information in respect of the separate record or information	Rule applicable Orissa High Court, & its Subordinate Courts
16	Patna High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 200	Rs. 50 (Rs. 500 for information regarding tender/ contracts/ bids	Not specified	Rs. 50	Rs. 5 per page/ printed price for publications	Cash	Penalty for delay in furnishing information, Rs. 50.00 per day subject to a maximum of Rs. 500.00 and penalty for supplying false information is Rs. 1000.00 RTI Application can only be filed between 1100 and 1300 Hrs	Rule applicable Madras High Court, Bench at Madurai & its Subordinate Courts
17	Punjab & Haryana High Court (Right to Information) Rules, 200	Rs. 100	Rs. 10.00 per fifteen minutes or fraction thereof and Rs. 20 per minute or fraction thereof for inspection of information u/s 7	Rs. 100	Rs. 10 per page and Rs. 20 per page for information u/s 7 Actual charge for large size paper Actual cost of printing or fixed price	Adhesive Court Fee Stamp	Date of Application will be the date on which complete fee has been paid Penalty for delay in furnishing information, Rs. 50.00 per day subject to a maximum of Rs. 500.00 and penalty for supplying false information is Rs. 1000.00 RTI Application can only be filed between 1100 and 1300 Hrs.	Rule applicable Madhya Pradesh High Court, & its Subordinate Courts

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18	Rajasthan High Court (Right to Information)	Rs. 100 (Rs. 500 for information regarding tender/ contracts/ bids)	No fee for first hour, a Fee of Rs. 25 for each 15 minutes or fraction thereof	Rs. 100	Actual cost of printing or fixed price	Non-judicial stamp	<p>If fee chargeable is less than Rs. 50.00, no fee will have to be paid.</p> <p>If fee is more than Rs. 50.00, the additional amount over Rs. 50.00 will have to be paid.</p>	Rules applicable to Rajasthan High Court and its Subordinate Courts
19	The High Court of Sikkim (Right to Information) Rules 2007	Rs. 100	Not specified	Rs. 100	Actual cost of photocopying, fixed copy for printed publications, actual cost for CD Diskets,	Fee to be deposited in State Bank of Sikkim on Major Head 0070-01-501-RTI Fee	<p>If fee is more than Rs. 50.00, the additional amount over Rs. 50.00 will have to be paid.</p> <p>Requested for with a positive assertion that the motive for obtaining such information is proper and legal</p> <p>Second appeal fee Rs. 100</p>	Rules applicable to Sikkim High Court and its Subordinate Courts



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