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CIRCULAR

Sub: Guidelines for PIO's of Departments/Autonomous bodies/Corporations

Read: Order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to Writ Petition (Civil) No.360 of 2021

Attention of all Public Authorities is hereby invited to the various Circulars issued by the Government from time to time regarding the implementation of Right to Information Act, 2005.

Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order has directed to all SICs to ensure e-filing of complaints and appeals is provided in a streamlined manner to every litigant. Further, directed to take steps with regard to the provision of Section 26 of the RTI Act to ensure that service is reflected on the Public Information Officers through the electronic mode. This should be implemented by 31st December 2023.

Hon'ble Supreme Court has further directed that all the Central and State Ministers shall take steps within a period of one month from the date of order i.e. October 9, 2023 to compile the email addresses of the Central and State Public Information Officers which shall be furnished to the CIC and to all the SICs.

In view of above referred order dated October 9, 2023 of Hon'ble Supreme Court it is enjoined upon all the HODs to update a fresh list of Public Information Officers (PIOs) of their respective Organization alongwith the names, areas of jurisdiction, telephone numbers, addresses, and email address alongwith a CD of the same in Word Format.

The information may kindly be sent to this office latest by **November 10, 2023** being a Hon'ble Supreme Court matter.

Kindly treat this as **Most Urgent**.

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To,

- 1) All HOD's/Autonomous Bodies/Corporations/Municipalities
- 2) PS/PA to Hon'ble Chief Minister/Ministers/Secretaries to Government Goa