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Third Party Transparency Audit under the RTI Act, 2005 State Election Commission Government of Puducherry – 2024-2025

Summary Report

All the public authorities should proactively disclose the information under the Right to Information Act. Section 4, which will help bring transparency in the administration.

State Election Commission, Government of Puducherry, is duly acknowledged for its commendable efforts in ensuring transparency by proactively disseminating relevant information on its official website, in alignment with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

During Auditing it is observed that the information related to few areas have to be shared on the website:

- + The information required under Section 4(1) (b) of the RTI Act and guidelines by the organization is satisfactory. Website is being used as an effective medium for Dissemination of information.
- + Conduct regular RTI Third party Transparency RTI Act 2005 capacity-building training programmes for departmental officials, including designated CPIOs and APIOs, to strengthen their understanding of RTI provisions, procedures, and recent developments.
- + A Consultancy Committee of key stakeholders should be constituted to advise on enhancing suo-motu disclosures
- → State Election Commission should obtain STQC certification from the Directorate of STQC and upload the certificate on the Website.
- → It is recommended that the Public Authority of the State Election Commission, Government of Puducherry, initiate appropriate measures to ensure the disclosure of the aforementioned information on its official website, in strict compliance with the provisions of Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005.

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