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Subject:- Supplementing the government measures on COVID-19 related relief and rescue operations employing the provisions of Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005 -reg.

Section 4(2) of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 mandates that every public authority should proactively disclose as much information *suomotu* to the public through various means of communications so that the public have minimum need to use the Act to obtain information.

2. Section 4(1)(b) of the RTI Act, 2005 lays down the information which should be disclosed by Public Authorities on a *suomotu* or proactive basis. Section 4(3) prescribes for wide dissemination of every information, in such form and manner which is easily accessible to the public. The disclosure of such information may be in as many mediums as feasible such as notice boards, newspapers, public announcements, media broadcast, the internet or any other means.

3. The Central Information Commission has taken note of the slew of measures undertaken by the Government for mitigation & suppression of the hazards posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. As requested by Central Information Commission, all the Public Authorities dealing with essential services should widely disseminate the government relief, rescue and other welfare actions, in the media as well as on their official websites in accordance with Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005.


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