

Puducherry, the

CIRCULAR

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Sub: Right to Information Act, 2005 – Co-operative societies included in the definition of public authority – Designation of Public Information Officers – Instructions – Issued.

Ref: This office Circular No.RCS/CLC/SFCS/2014/172 dated 23.12.2014.

In the circular cited, 260 co-operative societies functioning in the Union territory of Puducherry are declared as 'public authorities' under Section 2 (h) of the Right to Information Act, 2005. These societies are directed to entertain the applications and dispose the same in accordance with the Act.

2. Section 5 of the said Act casts a duty on the public authority to designate the Public Information Officer in all administrative units or offices to provide information to persons requesting such information under the Act.

3. The Presidents / Chief Executives / Administrators / Special Officers of the societies were appointed as Public Information Officers, vide order No. 5/SECY(COOP)/PA/2007/15 dated 4.1.2008. In accordance with the instructions contained therein, the societies are requested to notify the Presidents / Chief Executives / Administrators / Special Officers of the societies as Public Information Officer, invoking Section 5 of the Act.

4. Action taken in this regard may be informed to this office forthwith.


(Dr. A.S. SIVAKUMAR)
REGISTRAR OF CO-OP. SOCIETIES

To

All the co-operative societies declared as public authorities under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Copy to

1. The Director,
Directorate of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare,
Botanical Garden Complex,
Puducherry – 605 001.
2. All Branch / Regional Officers.
3. Website.