



WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD
BIDYUT BHAWAN
BLOCK : DJ : SECTOR - II: BIDHANNAGAR
KOLKATA-700 091.

Office Order No. P/19

Date: 28.1.2006

Sub: Enforcement of the "Right to Information Act 2005" in WBSEB.

With a view to make the legislation on 'right to information' more progressive, participatory and meaningful recently, one Act, viz. the "Right to Information Act, 2005" has been enacted by the Central Government to provide for setting out the practical regime of right to information for citizens, to secure access to information under the control of public authorities, in order to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority and for that purpose the constitution of a Central Information Commission and State Information Commission for matter connected therewith or incidental thereto. The Right to Information Act, 2005 has already been enacted with effect from 21.06.05 and as per the provisions of the said Act it will come into force on the One Hundred and Twentieth day of its enactment. As per guidelines of the Government in this regard, each Government Department as Public Authority as defined in Section - 2(h) of the Act will have to take appropriate action on some of the issues in advance to build up the necessary infrastructure for timely implementation of the provisions of the Act *ibid.* within 120 days from the date of effect and some of those issues are:-

A) Designation of Public Information Officer & Assistant Public Information Officers:

As per Section-5(l) of the Act, the contemplated legislation casts an obligation on each Public Authority to designate its Public Information Officer whose duty would be to provide Information to those who ask for it. Such authority is also required to designate its Assistant Public Information Officers at each Sub-divisional or Sub-district level to receive the applications for furnishing information or appeals under the Act and forward them to the authority or to the Government.

B) Designation of the Authority to whom the first appeal lies:

Section 19(1) of the Act stipulates that any person, who does not receive a decision within the time specified, or is aggrieved by a decision of the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, may within 30 days from the expiry of such period or from the receipt of such a decision prefer an appeal to such Officer who is senior in rank to the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer as the case may be, in each Public Authority.

Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that the following officers of WBSEB will be designated as the Public Information Officer and the authority under the Act to whom first stage appeals will lie for WBSEB and their address & phone nos. are appended below:

i) **First Stage Appellate Authority:**

Sri Murlidhar Jash, Chief Engineer & Sr. Director (HRD), WBSEB,
Vidyut Bhaban, 5th floor, 'D' Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 91. Phone No. 2359-9078 / 2358-2192
FAX No. 2359-0176.

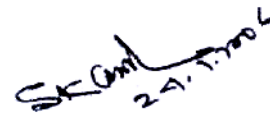
ii) **Public Information Officer:**

Sri Pradip Biswas, Sr. Manager (P8iA), Dist. Hqrs., WBSEB,
Vidyut Bhaban, 2nd floor, 'C' Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata-91.
Phone No. 2359-1918
FAX NO. 2359-7956.

It is also hereby ordered that the Head of P&A Wing at respective Circles in Distribution Wing, the Head of P&A Wing in Transmission, Transmission Project, R.E. Wing, Hydel Wing and PPSP will be designated as Assistant Public Information Officers in WBSEB under this Act and they will discharge their duties as per the guidelines contained under this Act. The list of designated Assistant Public Information Officers in WBSEB along with their contact phone numbers & Fax No. are furnished in a separate sheet as marked as Annexure-I. It will be the duty of the Public Information Officer and Assistant Public Information Officers to deal with requests from persons seeking information and render reasonable assistance to the persons seeking such information as per the guidelines and provisions under the Act

For proper implementation of the Act in WBSEB and to facilitate the designated officers of WBSEB to discharge their function under this Act smoothly, the 17 nos. manuals as envisaged under the Act (narrated in Annexure - II) will be prepared and down loaded in their computers so that they are equipped with the relevant information. However, the Assistant Public Information Officers shall collect information relevant to their respective jurisdictions in regard to the 17 nos. manuals and prepare it in a consolidated form to facilitate dissemination of information to public, if sought for. A copy of the Act as published in the Gazette of India Extra Ordinary, New Delhi, Tuesday, dtd. the 21st June, 2005 is enclosed herewith at Annexure-III for ready reference please.

The order will take immediate effect



(S. K. GUPTA)
MEMBER-SECRETARY



WBSETCL

WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION CO. LTD.

(A Government of West Bengal Enterprise)

**VIDYUT BHAVAN: BLOCK - DJ: SECTOR - II: BIDHANNAGAR
KOLKATA - 700 091**

OFFICE ORDER NO. P/8

DATE: 9.10.2007

In partial modification of this Office Order No. P/19 dated 28.01.06 the following officers attached to different offices of WBSETCL are hereby designated as Public Information Officer /Asstt. Public Information Officer as per relevant provisions of the Right to Information Act 2005 for the offices as indicated against each herein below: -

Sl. No.	Name/Designation with Contact Numbers	Place of posting with address	To act as	For the Office (s)
1.	S.K.Raha Sr. Manager (P&A) Tel. No. (033)2359-1908 (033)2319-7449 FAX No. (033)2359-1892	Trans. (O&M) HQ Vidyut Bhavan, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091	Public Information Officer	All Offices of WBSETCL
2.	Sr. Manager (P&A)/Head of P&A wing Tel. No. (033)2367-3578 FAX No. (033)2367-3578	Central Testing Deptt. HQ, Abhikshan Bhavan. Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091	Asstt. Public Information Officer	All Offices of Testing Wing and Communication Wing.
3.	Sr. Manager (P&A) /Head of P&A wing Tel. No. (033)2641-6572 FAX No. (033) 2688-6232/5417	SLDC HQ Danesh Sk. Lane, Andul Rd., Howrah-711109	Asstt. Public Information Officer	All Offices of SLDC Wing.
4.	Manager (P&A) /Head of P&A wing Tel. No. (033)2319-7462 FAX No. (033)2337-1737	Trans. (Project) HQ Vidyut Bhavan, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091	Asstt. Public Information Officer	CP& ED, Land Acquisition Cell, Office of M.C in addition to all Offices of Trans. (Project) Wing.
5.	Manager (P&A) Tel. No. (033)2319-7301 FAX No. (033)2359-1892	Trans. (O&M) HQ Vidyut Bhavan, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091	Asstt. Public Information Officer	All Offices of Trans. (O&M) Wing.

All other terms and conditions of the aforesaid Office Order shall remain unaltered.

A.K. Bala
9.10.2007
(A.K.BALA)
DIRECTOR (HR)