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TAMIL NADU INFORMATION COMMISSION

REVIEW MEETING WITH OFFICERS OF THE VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT

Yesterday 22-08-2023, the State Chief Information Commissioner, Thiru Md.Shakeel Akhter, IPS (Retd), along with the other Information Commissioners of the Tamil Nadu Information Commission, conducted a review meeting with officers representing the various Departments / Wings of the administration in the State.

In the forenoon, the meeting was held with the Personal Assistants (General) representing the District Collectors of the State and in the afternoon with the Senior Officers representing the various administrative departments and wings of the State (128 departments).

During the meeting, the steps to be taken for the scrupulous follow up of the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005 were discussed. Also the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and High Court, with regard to the implementation and enforcement of the RTI Act were communicated for meticulous follow up. In general, advisories were given for swift action to be initiated on the RTI applications preferred by the public, provision of proper replies, provision of replies within the time limits prescribed as per the Act, etc., All officers were advised to increase transparency with regard to their administrative set up by providing maximum information available to the public through their Departmental / District websites.

It was informed that progress on the implementation of the RTI Act by the District administration and by the Departments / Wings of the Government would be reviewed by the Full Commission once a quarter.

In review meeting Thiru P.Dhanasekaran, State Information Commissioner, Thiru M. Sreedhar, State Information Commissioner, Thiru P.Thamarai Kannan, IPS (Retd), State Information Commissioner, Thiru R. Priyakumar, State Information Commissioner, Dr.K.Thirumalaimuthu, ICLS (Retd), State Information Commissioner, Prof.Dr.M.Selvaraj, State Information Commissioner and Thiru S.Dhanalingam, Secretary, Tamil Nadu Information Commission, have all participated.

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