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WORKSHOP ON RIGHT TO INFORMATION AT JIM CORBETT NATIONAL PARK & NAINITAL, UTTARAKHAND

National Academy of Human Resource Development (NAHRD) was established to deliver competency-enhancing learning to officials of Central Govt., State Govt., Public Sector Undertakings, Autonomous Bodies, Banks, Insurance Companies, etc. We have organized large number of workshops in the past, which have been very well attended and appreciated by officials of various organizations.

A workshop on **Right to Information** is being organized by NAHRD from 18.01.2026 to 21.01.2026 at **Jim Corbett National Park & Nainital, Uttarakhand**

Section 26 (d) of the RTI Act specifically places an obligation on the Central and State Governments to provide training to public officials. As a priority, all Public Information Officers (PIOs), Appellate Authorities and their facilitation officers need to be fully trained on what their responsibilities are under the law, how to manage applications/appeals and of course, how to apply and interpret the law. The object of the workshop is to appraise the PIOs, Appellate Authorities, Nodal Officers, Law Officers and their facilitating officers about the features of RTI Act, latest judgments of the superior courts and CIC on the subject. The program has been designed keeping in view of the mandatory requirements under the RTI Act that Govt. Departments, PSUs, Boards and Corporations should train their concerned officers on RTI for effective implementation. Needless to add that inapt handling of the RTI requests severely hampers the efficiency of the organization. After the workshop the participants shall have updated themselves in the following aspects:

- Provisions & Procedure under RTI Act, 2005
- Exemptions & Exclusions under the Act
- Personal & third-party information under the Act
- Roles & functions of various officials (PIOs, AAs, Nodal Officers, etc.)
- Improvement in the drafting skills to minimize the number of appeals
- Judgments passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, Various High Courts & Information Commissions
- Handling of Online RTI applications

Workshop Methodology

The workshop will be organized on highly participative lines. The training methods will include lectures, group discussions, exercises, presentations, case studies, role-plays etc.

Faculty

Sh. Mahabir Singh Kasana is a renowned trainer in the field of Right to Information. He is former Joint Director of Institute of Secretariat Training and Management, Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India. He is accredited as the master trainer by Training Division of DoPT, Govt. of India to train trainers and help public authorities for capacity building. He has developed a training package for RTI which has been distributed to all State Administrative Training Institutes. On RTI, Mr. Kasana has conducted workshops for Appellate Authorities and workshops for PIOs and APIOs. Till date he has conducted more than 400 workshops in which more than 12,000 officers from around 500 organizations have participated. He has contributed to development of various RTI Manuals under capacity building for access to information as part of UNDP project and organized International Training Program on Right to Information for Common wealth countries of Asia Region. Mr. Kasana has also authored book titled as "Right to Information Act- A Comprehensive Guide for Public Authorities to Handle RTI Matters"

Sh. Apendu Ganguly is a former Director, Ministry of Defence, Government of India. During his service with Government of India, he has handled various personnel, establishment, administrative, legal and statutory matters. He has also served as full time faculty member with Institute of Secretariat Training and Management, Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India. In addition, he is a regular visiting faculty member with Delhi Judicial Academy, Defence Headquarters Training Institute, Defence Research & Development Organization, National Institute of Financial Management, Institute of Secretariat Training and Management, Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India etc. He is having huge experience on Right to Information and has conducted a number of workshops on the present subject.

Multiple workshops organized by NAHRD have been attended and appreciated by officers of organizations that includes but not limited to Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Ministry of Agriculture, LIC of India, Reserve Bank of India, Securities & Exchange Board of India, Coal India Ltd., Engineers India Ltd, FSSAI, Tariff Authority of Major Ports, Indian Oil Ltd, BPCL, IITs, NITs, IIITs, IIMs, IHMs, NHPC, Bank of Baroda, SBI, Punjab National Bank, NABARD, DFCCIL, HUDCO, HAL, JNPT, Syndicate Bank, IDBI Bank, Quality Council of India, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Delhi University, Export-Inspection Council of India, Spices Board, ONGC, Indian Space Research Organization, Directorate of Advertising & Visual Publicity, Border Security Force, GIC of India, EXIM Bank, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation, Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation, Election Commission of India, New India Assurance Co. Ltd., North Council, India Trade Promotion Organization, IREDA, Dredging Corporation of India Ltd., TIFAC, Wildlife Institute of India, Bharat Dynamics Ltd., Directorate General of Shipping, etc.

Participation Fee:

Single Occupancy- Rs. 69,000/- plus GST @ 18% per participant

Twin Sharing - Rs. 60,000/- plus GST @ 18% per participant

Non-Residential - Rs. 40,000/- plus GST @ 18% per participant

The participation fee for residential participants covers the cost of accommodation, meals & study material of the participants. Spouse/ family members are welcome on additional all-inclusive nominal charges in case nomination of the participant is on single occupancy. "Twin Sharing" is available only in case even number of participants of same gender from same organization. The participation fee for non-residential participants covers the cost of lunch & study material.

Participants can also avail **complimentary return bus transfers** from New Delhi to Ramnagar. Bus will leave from New Delhi (Central/ South Delhi) for Jim Corbett at 12:00 P.M. on 18.01.2026 and drop at (Central Delhi) is tentatively scheduled at 5:00 P.M. on 22.01.2026. Pick and drop location will be intimated to the participants interested in availing complimentary transfer service one week before the workshop. Participants coming from cities other than New Delhi who wish to avail the bus transfers are requested to book their travel accordingly. Please note that there shall be only one pick and drop point at New Delhi and no request for a different point shall be entertained.

Venue: Tiaraa Hotels & Resorts, Jim Corbett, Shivlalpur Pandey, Ramnagar, Uttarakhand

Check In- 18.01.2026 (02:00 PM)

Check Out- 22.01.2026 (11:00 AM)

The workshop will commence at 9:30 AM on 19.01.2026 and will conclude at 05:30 PM on 21.01.2026. However, there will be an introductory session on 18.01.2026 once all participants have reported at the venue. In case of non-availability of rooms at Tiaraa Hotels & Resorts as on date of nomination, arrangements for stay of the participants shall be made in some other property closer to the venue. The stay on all four days will be arranged at Ramnagar and the participants will be taken to Nainital on one day for the field visit.

Nominations may be sent through post/ email by providing participants' name, designation, contact number & e-mail ID along with participation fees through cheque/DD/NEFT. Please note that participation fee is to be paid at the time of nomination. Registration form can be obtained from our website. In case of payment through electronic mode, details are as under:

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Nomination once confirmed cannot be cancelled, however substitution of participant(s) is allowed. In case nominated participant is not able to attend the workshop due to any reason and no substitution is made, fees shall still be payable. In case fees have already been paid, same shall be liable to be forfeited.

Limited seats available for the present workshop and hence the nominations will be accepted on first-come-first-serve basis. Organizations are kindly requested to seek confirmation about availability before nominating. Last date for accepting nominations is **05.01.2026**

You are requested to kindly nominate officers and executives for the present workshop at the earliest and draw maximum benefit from the opportunity.

Thanks & Regards

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