

Six Month Action Plan

The following is the schedule released to the press by Yashada for the effective implementation of Maharashtra Right to Information Act.*

1. To organise a workshop on the MRTI Act for competent authorities, elected representatives, citizens' bodies, NGOs by March 2004.
2. To organise revenue division-wise workshops for awareness and training to prepare the syllabus for the workshop by March 18, 2004.
3. To organise two-day workshops for Public Information Officers (PIOs) in departments in Mantralaya, Divisional Commissionerates, Police Commissionerates, Collectorates, HQs of District Superintendents of Police, Zilla Parishads, Municipal Corporations, A Class Municipal Councils

Dates:

March 22 and 23, 2004

March 24 and 25, 2004

April 02 and 03, 2004

4. To organise two-day workshops at divisional levels, preferably at district-levels, for PIOs in offices at the district and sub-divisional levels.

Dates:

April 02 and 03, 2004

April 08 and 09, 2004

April 26 and 27, 2004

April 28 and 29, 2004

5. To publish detailed information on officers designated as PIOs and Appellate Authorities, with names and designations, address and telephone numbers by March 31, 2004.
6. To release the information to newspapers and to have the information of each PIO displayed on boards in offices of the respective PIOs by March 31, 2004

7. To designate PIOs and Appellate Authorities in all government offices
 - i. PIOs and AAs have already been designated in all departments in Mantralaya
 - ii. PIOs and AAs have been already been designated in many offices at the divisional, district and taluka levels. The process will be completed by March 15, 2004
 - iii. Cataloguing and indexing of records in offices at district level and above by May 31, 2004
 - iv. To appoint monitoring councils at divisional levels under the Chairmanship of respective divisional commissioner and at the district level under the chairmanship of the respective district collectors by March 15, 2004.
 - v. Divisional Commissioner to submit to the state level monitoring council under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary minutes of the monthly meetings of divisional level monitoring councils by 15th of every month.
 - vi. All district collectors to convene meetings of district level monitoring committees every month on the Loksdhahi Din, First Monday of every month.
 - vii. All district collectors to submit to the divisional commissioner minutes of the monthly meetings of district level monitoring councils under them by second Monday of every month.
 - viii. Divisional Commissioners to review monthly reports every month after the meeting of Bhrashtachar Nirmulan Adhava samiti Second Monday of every month.
 - ix. To set up a cell at YASHADA for Maharashtra Right to Information Act to coordinate training, workshops, research and analysis, and feedback March 15, 2004.
 - x. To start uplinking on the official web site of the Government of Maharashtra major decisions o various departments, in order to enhance transparency in governance by April 15, 2004.
 - xi. The state level monitoring committee will make recommendations on the basis of the reports received from divisional and district levels committees. As and when warranted.