

# भारतीय गुणवत्ता परिषद

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## SUMMARY REPORT

#### SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY AUDIT SUMMARY REPORT

# <u>FOR</u>

# The State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. (2023-2024)

The Right to Information Act, 2005 has empowered every citizen of the country to seek and receive any information from any public authority in the country without assigning any reason for seeking the information.

It is an attempt to move from opaqueness to transparency, ultimately leading to good Governance. Broadly, there are following two ways by which information needs of the Citizen can be met: -

- i. One is to file an RTI application seeking information within the time frame specified in the RTI Act through the Public Information Officer of the organization concerned.
- ii. The alternative mode which is prescribed in the RTI Act deals with proactive and suomotu disclosure.

The RTI Act under section 4 provides a comprehensive framework for promoting openness in the functioning of the public authorities.

Disclosures under this Section are expected to:

- (i) Enable the citizen to access the information held by Public Authority without their having to take recourse to the provisions of RTI Act,
- (ii) Promote transparency and accountability in the functioning of the government to promote participatory governance.

We appreciate the sincere efforts of **The State Trading Corporation of India Ltd.** as Public Authority for disclosing and sharing the required information on website to maintain transparency.

Further, it has been observed during the Audit that information related to few areas may be shared in Public Domain on **The State Trading Corporation of India Ltd.** Website:

- 1. Transfer orders may be mentioned on website.
- 2. Programmes to advance understanding of RTI Act may be conducted at regular intervals and documented.

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- 3. Frequently Asked Question.
- 4. Details of appointment of nodal officers may be mentioned on website for better transparency.
- 5. Consultancy committee of key stake holders for advice on suo-motu disclosure may be constituted.

QCI would like to share positive feedback in the form of web links available on the website as on date of audit. In future all the required information/ links may be posted on website in order to bring more transparency.

With Regards,

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Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.