

File No. SFAC/1-2/42/2024-GA.RTI Information.

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Subject: Request for seeking information under RTI Act, 2005 –reg.

Sir,

The undersigned being the CPIO refer to your RTI Application No. SFABC/R/T/25/00018 dated 18/07/2025 on the subject mentioned above. In so far SFAC is concerned, the information is as under:-

S. No	RTI Query	Reply
1.	I am a student conducting a funded academic research project on the challenges faced by farmers in directly participating in agricultural exports. This research focuses on understanding the current status and structure of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) across the state of Maharashtra. Under the RTI Act, 2005, I kindly request the following information for all FPOs registered in Maharashtra under centrally sponsored schemes (such as SFAC, NAFED, NABARD, or other Ministry of Agriculture initiatives): Full list of registered FPOs in Maharashtra (district-wise) Their postal address (including village/taluka/district) Name and mobile number of the president/chairperson/managing director Primary crops cultivated or marketed by the FPO Year of registration Certification details if available (APEDA, FSSAI, Organic, etc.) Please provide the information in a digital format (Excel/PDF/Word) either by email or by uploading it to the RTI portal.	The weblink " State wise list of registered FPOs details under Central Sector Scheme for Formation and Promotion of 10,000 FPOs by SFAC as on 24-02-2025 " under URL https://sfacindia.com/FPOS.aspx may please be referred to.

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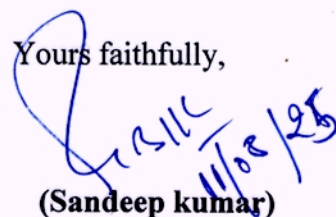
Further, it is informed that the Central Information Commissioner in its Order No.CIC/AT/A/2006/00045 dated 21.04.2006 has conveyed that "the RTI Act does not cast on the public authority any obligation to answer queries in which a petitioner attempts to elicit answers to his questions with prefixes, such as, why, what, when and whether. The petitioner's right extends only to seeking information as defined in Section 2(f) either by pinpointing the file, document, paper or record etc., or by mentioning the type of information as may be available with the specified public authority."

As per Government of India office memorandum no 1/4/2009- IR dated 05.10.2009 pertaining to Right to Information Act, 2005 published by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training "The Public Information Officer is not supposed to create information; or to interpret information; or to solve the problems raised by the applicants; or to furnish replies to hypothetical questions." It is inform that answering a question or proffering advice or making suggestion to an applicant is beyond the purview of the RTI act.

First Appellate Authority

(Prasanth Chander N.)
Deputy Director (Admin.)
First Appellate Authority,
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Yours faithfully,



(Sandeep kumar)

Dy. Director (PDF)

Central Public Information Officer