

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/E/25/00042 dated 22/12/2025 on the subject mentioned above. In so far SFAC is concerned, the information is as under: -

	RTI Query	Information under RTI
1.	Certified copies of all permissions approvals or authorizations issued by any government department to NBFL for procurement of organic paddy from Nainital district during the period 2019 to 2025.	The desired information does not pertain to the SFAC.
2.	Whether Eco Life Foundation has been established promoted controlled or managed directly or indirectly by NBFL or its directors promoters or related persons. Please provide certified copies of records available with the department.	
3.	Whether Eco Life Foundation has been used as an implementing agency aggregator intermediary or front entity for procurement marketing certification or routing of organic agricultural produce on behalf of NBF. Provide documentary evidence if available.	
4.	Details of any FPO FPC SHG NGO foundation or other entity created or used by NBEL as an intermediary between farmers and NBFL for procurement of organic paddy including name registration details and role assigned.	
5.	Copies of agreements MOUs or arrangements executed between NBFL and Eco Life Foundation or any intermediary entity for procurement marketing or handling of organic paddy.	
6.	Village wise and year wise details of organic paddy procured directly or indirectly through such entities including quantity procured and rate paid to farmers.	

7.	Copies of guidelines orders or rules under which procurement rates were fixed and reasons for variation of rates in different blocks such as Kotabagh Patkot or other areas.	
8.	Details of inspections audits or monitoring conducted regarding NBFL Eco Life Foundation or intermediary entities from 2019 to 2025 along with copies of inspection or audit reports.	
9.	Details of subsidies grants assistance CSR funds or scheme benefits released to NBFL Eco Life Foundation or any related entity including scheme name and year wise amount.	
10.	Copies of utilization certificates and supporting records submitted against government funds if any.	
11.	Certified copies of records related to written complaints or representations received regarding NBFL or its related entities and details of action taken.	
12.	Name and designation of officers responsible for approval monitoring inspection and audit of procurement of organic agricultural produce in Nainital district. Kindly provide the above information in documentary form as available in official records.	

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

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Deputy Director (Admin.)

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Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Kumar)

Dy. Director (PDF)

Central Public Information Officer