

THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION (REGULATION OF FEE AND COST) RULES, 2005

[GSR No. 336(E), dt. 1.10.2005] (As amended vide GSR 294(E), dt. 17.5.2006)

In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (b) and (c) of sub-section (2) of section 27 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement

- (1) These rules may be called the Right to Information (Regulation of Fee and Cost) Rules, 2005.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions

In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, -

- (a) "Act" means the Right to Information Act, 2005;
- (b) "section" means section of the Act;
- (c) all other words and expressions used herein but not defined and defined in the Act shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Act.
- **3.** A request for obtaining information under sub-section (1) of section 6 shall be accompanied by an application fee of rupees ten by way of cash against proper receipt or by demand draft or bankers cheque [or Indian Postal Order] payable to the Accounts Officer of the public authority.
- **4.** For providing the information under sub-section (1) of section 7, the fee shall be charged by way of cash against proper reaceipt or by demand draft or bankers cheque [or Indian PostalOrder] payable to the Accounts Officer of the public authority at the following rates:-
 - (a) rupees two for each page (in A-4 or A-3 size paper) created or copied;
 - (b) actual charge or cost price of a copy in larger size paper;

- (c) actual cost or price for samples or models; and
- [(d) for inspection of records, no fee for the first hour; and a fee of rupees five for each subsequent hour (or fraction thereof)]
- 5. For providing the information under sub-section (5) of section 7, the fee shall be charged by way of cash against proper receipt or by demand draft or bankers cheque [or Indian Postal Order] payable to the Accounts Officer of the public authority at the following rates:-
 - (a) for information provided in diskette or floppy rupees fifty per diskette or floppy; and
 - (b) for information provided in printed form at the price fixed for such publication or rupees two per page of photo copy for extracts from the publication.
