

**Third Party Transparency Audit Report
of
Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Dharamshala, Distt Kangra, Himachal Pradesh - 176215**

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Summary

In order to minimize the necessity for members of the public to resort to the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005 for obtaining information, every Public Authority (PA) is mandated under Section 4(2) of the RTI Act to proactively disseminate as much information as possible to the public at regular intervals through various means of communication, including the internet.

In this regard, the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), vide Office Memorandum No. 1/6/2011-IR dated 07.11.2019, has issued guidelines stipulating that all Public Authorities shall ensure that their proactive disclosure arrangements under Section 4 of the RTI Act, 2005 are subjected to annual third-party audit.

Such measures are intended to enhance transparency and accountability in the functioning of public institutions and to facilitate easier access to information for citizens. Accordingly, the proactive disclosure content hosted on the official website is expected to comprehensively cover the broader subject areas listed below.

1. Particulars relating to the Organization and its Functions.
2. Details pertaining to the Budget and Programmes of the Organization.
3. Dissemination of information in a wide and accessible manner to ensure ease of public access.
4. Information relating to E-Governance initiatives and digitization processes.
5. Publication of information as prescribed or mandated by the Public Authority.
6. Information disclosed by the Public Authority on its own initiative.

Objectives:

The principal objectives of conducting a Third-Party Audit (TPA) are as follows:

- To examine and review the information disclosed by the public authority under the provisions of the Right to Information (RTI) Act.
- To assess the adequacy, accuracy, and quality of the information proactively disclosed in compliance with Section 4 of the RTI Act.
- To identify existing gaps or deficiencies in the information made available for public access.
- To provide appropriate recommendations and suggest corrective measures for strengthening compliance with the provisions of Section 4 of the RTI Act.

Methodology:

On the basis of the Self-Appraisal Report (SAR) submitted by **Central University of Himachal Pradesh**, the information available on its public portal was thoroughly examined and analysed during the course of the audit. The assessment was conducted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Information Commission (CIC), New Delhi, concerning the requirements for proactive disclosure under Sections 4(1), 4(2), 4(3), and 4(4) of the Right to Information (RTI) Act.

During the online transparency audit, detailed feedback was provided on each component of the **Central University of Himachal Pradesh**'s website. Subsequently, the information hosted on the website was systematically evaluated to identify areas requiring improvement. The audit report was thereafter finalized, incorporating the observations, findings, and recommendations arising from the evaluation.

Observations and Recommendations:

Most of the relevant information, in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Information Commission (CIC), is presently available on the official website of **Central University of Himachal Pradesh**. However, there remains scope for further enhancement. The website may be improved by incorporating more detailed information and by making it more user-friendly for the public.

The following observations and recommendations are submitted for consideration:

- It has been noted that **Telephone Number** are not reflected in the Directory of All Employees displayed on the website of **Central University of Himachal Pradesh**. These details are required to be disclosed in compliance with **Clause 1.8.2**.
- The list of employees along with their **Gross Monthly Remuneration details** should be displayed more prominently on the website in accordance with **Clause 1.9.1**.
- **Central University of Himachal Pradesh** is advised to review the **section-wise grading remarks** ("**Partially Met**" or "**Not Met**") provided by the Third-Party Assessment (TPA). Appropriate corrective measures may be undertaken by the Public Authority in order to improve compliance and achieve a "**Fully Met**" grading.

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