

A FRAMEWORK FOR TRANSPARENCY AUDIT FOR THE F.Y. 2022-23

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

While Section 4(1) (a) provides a general guideline for record management, so that the information could be easily stored and retained, the sub-sections b, c and d of Section 4 relate to the organizational objects and functions. Sub-sections (b), (c) and (d) of Section 4 of the RTI Act and other related information can be grouped under six categories; namely, 1-organisation and function, 2- Budget and programmes, 3- Publicity and public interface, 4- E. governance, 5- Information as prescribed and 6. Information disclosed on own initiative.

1. Organization and Function

S. No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars
1.1	Particulars of its organization, functions and duties [Section 4(1)(b)(i)]	(i) Name of the Organization and its website	Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration. http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in
		(ii) Head of the organization	Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS Director Tourism, Chandigarh Administration.
		(iii) Vision, Mission and Key objectives	Tourism promotion in Chandigarh
		(iv) Function and duties	Chandigarh Tourism achieves various strides of progress in domestic & international tourism scenario, besides creation of tourism infrastructure facilities for inbound tourists to the 'City Beautiful'. Chandigarh. The department organizes a number of tourism events, which include the World Music Day, Teej Festival, World Tourism Week, Chandigarh Carnival, Lohri festival and Rose Festival etc. for the promotion of tourism, culture and festivity in the City beautiful of Chandigarh. Chandigarh Tourism operates Single Window System service through its Bollywood Facilitation Cell. The Department provides platform to travellers and residents to participate in weekend tourism activities on four weekends (Saturdays/Sundays) of a month. The arrangements were also made for G-20 delegates Meeting held in Chandigarh from 29th to 31st January, 2023 and 2 nd Meeting for Agriculture Working Group of G-20 Summit held on 29 th , 30 th & 31 st March, 2023.
		(v) Organization Chart	Placed at Annexure I

1.2	Power and duties of its officers and employees [Section 4(1)(b)(ii)]	(i) Powers and duties of officers (administrative, financial and judicial)	Head of the Department
		(ii) Power and duties of other employees	The staff deals with the establishment matters, court cases, financial matters, purchases through GEM, RTI Matters, Grievances, Events, Tourist Information Centres and Souvenir Shops to facilitate the tourists.
		(iii) Rules/orders under which powers and duty are derived and	As per Chandigarh Administration Rules.
		(iv) exercised	Chandigarh Administration Rules and Regulations
		(v) Work allocation	As per guidelines of the Chandigarh Administration.
1.3	Procedure followed in decision making process [Section 4(1)(b)(iii)]	(i) Process of decision making. Identify key decision making points	1. Proposal 2. Approval 3. Implementation
		(ii) Final decision making authority	Head of the Department/Secretary Tourism, Chandigarh Administration
		(iii) Related provisions, acts, rules etc.	As per Chandigarh Administration
		(iv) Time limit for taking a decisions, if any	As per Chandigarh Administration Guidelines
		(v) Channel of supervision and accountability	1. Dealing official 2. Assistant Controller (F&A) 3. Director Tourism 4. Secretary Tourism 5. Adviser to the Administrator 6. Administrator
1.4	Norms for discharge of functions [Section 4(1)(b)(iv)]	(i) Nature of functions/ services offered	Organisation of fairs/festivals/events for the promotion of Tourism in Chandigarh for the facilitation of tourists, visitors and residents of Chandigarh.
		(ii) Norms/ standards for functions/ service delivery	As per Chandigarh Administration Guidelines
		(iii) Process by which these services can be accessed	By visiting/calling in the office during office hours.
		(iv) Time-limit for achieving the targets	As per Rules

		(v) Process of redress of grievances	Through Chandigarh Administration online Portals
1.5	Rules, regulations, instructions manual and records for discharging functions [Section 4(1)(b)(v)]	(i) Title and nature of the record/ manual /instruction.	Tourism related files, establishment matters, Accounts and events files etc.
		(ii) List of Rules, regulations, instructions manuals and records.	Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration follows the Rules, Regulations, instructions and guidelines issued by Chandigarh Administration from time to time.
		(iii) Acts/ Rules manuals etc.	-do-
		(iv) Transfer policy and transfer orders	As per Chandigarh Administration orders.
1.6	Categories of documents held by the authority under its control [Section 4(1)(b) (vi)]	(i) Categories of documents	Office record of Tourism Department, Union Territory, Chandigarh
		(ii) Custodian of documents/ categories	Lying with the dealing officials in the office.
1.7	Boards, Councils, Committees and other Bodies constituted as part of the Public Authority [Section 4(1)(b)(viii)]	(i) Name of Boards, Council, Committee etc.	Society for Tourism & Entertainment Promotions in Chandigarh (STEPS).
		(ii) Composition	Tourism promotion in Chandigarh
		(iii) Dates from which constituted	2006
		(iv) Term/ Tenure	N.A.
		(v) Powers and functions	Tourism promotion in Chandigarh
		(vi) Whether their meetings are open to the public?	Yes
		(vii) Whether the minutes of the meetings are open to the public?	Yes
		(viii) Place where the minutes if open to the public are available?	Office situated at Paryavaran Bhawan, 4 th floor, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh

1.8	Directory of officers and employees [Section 4(1) (b) (ix)]	(i)Name and designation	Sr. No.	Name of the Officers/officials	Designation	Mobile No.
			1.	Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS	Director Tourism	0172-2700225
			2.	Sh. Rajnish Malhi	Asstt. Controller (F&A)	8054010399
			3.	Sh. Narinder Kumar	Tourist Officer	9888189026
			4.	Sh.Kulwant Singh	Reception Officer	9781348825
			5.	Smt. Veena Madan	Statistical Assistant	9988752120
			6.	Ms. Tanya Kumari	Clerk	7018328648
			7.	Smt. Kanika Dhiman	Reception Officer (Contract basis)	8307321217
			8.	Ms. Priyanka Bhalwal	Steno-typist	6283037550
			9.	Sh. Udhey Singh	Peon	9646615133
	(ii)Telephone, fax and email ID	Phone: 0172-2700225 Mail ID: Chdtourism123@gmail.com				
1.9	Monthly Remuneration received by officers & employees including system of compensation [Section 4(1) (b) (x)]	(i) List of employees with Gross monthly remuneration	<u>February, 2023</u>			
			Sr. No.	Name of the Employee with designation	Gross monthly remuneration	
			1.	Sh.Narinder Kumar, T.O.	Rs.87,400/-	
			2.	Sh.Kulwant Singh, R.O.	Rs.87,548/-	
			3.	Smt. Veena Madan, S.A.	Rs.95,680/-	
			4.	Ms. Tanya Kumari, Clerk	Rs.61,984/-	
			5.	Smt.Kanika Dhiman, R.O (on contract)	Rs.30,189/-	
			6.	Ms. Priyanka Bhalwal, Steno-typist	Rs.26,902/-	
			7.	Sh.Kewal Krishan, Peon	Rs.64,164/-	
		8.	Sh. Udhey Singh, Peon	Rs.71,332/-		
	(ii) System of compensation as provided in its regulations	As per Rules				
1.10	Name, designation and other particulars of public information officers [Section 4(1)	(i) Name and designation of the public information officer (PIO), Assistant Public Information (s) & Appellate Authority				
			Sr.No.	Name of the Officer	Designation	
			1.	Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS	Appellate Authority	
			2.	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)	CPIO	

	(b) (xvi)]	(ii) Address, telephone numbers and email ID of each designated official.	Sr. No.	Name of the Officer	Designation	Address, Tel.No.&Email ID	
			1.	Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS	Appellate Authority	Paryavaran Bhawan, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh Mobile:9815008658 Email ID: jointsecylg@gmail.com	
			2.	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)	CPIO	Paryavaran Bhawan, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh Mobile: 8054010399 Email ID: rajnishmalhi1975@gmail.com	
1.11	No. Of employees against whom Disciplinary action has been proposed/ taken (Section 4(2))	No. of employees against whom disciplinary action has been (i) Pending for Minor penalty or major penalty proceedings (ii) Finalised for Minor penalty or major penalty proceedings	Nil				
1.12	Programmes to advance understanding of RTI (Section 26)	(i) Educational programmes (ii) Efforts to encourage public authority to participate in these programmes (iii) Training of CPIO/APIO (iv) Update & publish guidelines on RTI by the Public Authorities concerned	N.A.				
			N.A.				
			As per Chandigarh Administration Instructions from time to time.				
			Pamphlets regarding awareness to apply online on the rtionline.gov.in have been received from the Information Technology Department, UT, Chandigarh and have been pasted on the Notice wall of this Department.				

2. Budget and Programme

S.No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars
2.1	Budget allocated to each agency	(i) Total Budget for the public authority	Final Grant: Rs. 9,96,00,000/- (Financial Year 2022-23)

	including all plans, proposed expenditure and reports on disbursements made etc. [Section 4(1)(b)(xi)]	(ii) Budget for each agency and Plan & programmes	i) Grant in aid to Chandigarh Institute of Hotel Management : Rs. 3,35,00,000/- ii) Direction & Administration: Rs. 13,45,000/- iii) Medical expenses: Rs. 1,00,000/- iv) Other Expenses Direction & Administration : Rs. 10,10,000/- (v) Strengthening of : Rs. 45,45,000/- Tourism Organisation vi) Wages : Rs. 85,00,000/- vii) Medical expenses (Strengthening of Tourism Organisation) : Rs. 1,00,000/- viii) Office expenses: Rs. 5,00,000/- ix) Tourism Facilities: Rs. 5,00,00,000/-
		(iii) Proposed Expenditures	Final Grant: Rs. 11,15,64,000/- Expenditure made : Rs. 11,15,60,042/-
		(iv) Revised Budget for each agency, if any	i) Grant-in-aid to Chandigarh Institute of Hotel Management : Rs. 4,30,00,000/- ii) Direction & Administration: Rs. 16,31,000/- iii) Medical expenses (Direction & Administration): - iv) Other Expenses Direction & Administration: Rs. 9,93,000/- v) Strengthening of : Rs. 63,10,000/- Tourism Organisation vi) Wages : Rs. 91,41,000/- vii) Medical expenses (Strengthening of Tourism Organisation): - viii) Office expenses: Rs. 7,16,000/- ix) Tourism Facilities Rs. 4,97,73,000/- Total Final Budget: Rs. 11,15,64,000/-
		(v) Report on disbursements made and place where the related reports are available	Record is placed in the office.
2.2	Foreign and domestic tours during 2022-23	(i) Budget	Nil
		(ii) Foreign and domestic tours by ministries and officials of the rank of Joint Secretary to the Government and above, as well as the heads of the department.	
		a) Places visited	Chandigarh – Delhi
		b) The period of visit	21.03.2023 to 22.03.2023
		c) The number of	03 nos.

		members in the official delegation d) Expenditure on the Visit	Rs.15,777/-
		(iii)Information related to procurements a) Notice/tender enquires, corrigenda if any thereon, b) Details of the bids awarded comprising the names of the suppliers of goods/services being procured, c) The works contracts concluded – in any such combination of the above- and d) The rate/rates and the total amount at which such procurement or works contract is to be executed.	1. Tender for Outsource Services through GeM Portal 2. Outsource Services provided by Chandigarh Renewable Energy and Science & Technology i)M/s.Jaharveer Manpower & Security services for providing outsource Manpower & Security Services. ii)Wages provided to Chandigarh Renewable Energy and Science & Technology for providing services. As above. Financial implication for one year amounting to Rs. 91,41,000/-
2.3	Manner of execution of subsidy programme [Section 4(i)(b)(xii)]	(i)Name of the programme of activity	Nil
		(ii)Objective of the programme	N.A. in view of (i) above.
		(iii)Procedure to avail benefits	N.A.
		(iv)Duration of the Programme/ scheme	N.A.
		(v)Physical and financial targets of the programme	N.A.
		(vi)Nature/Scale of subsidy/amount allotted	N.A.
		(vii)Eligibility criteria for grant of subsidy	N.A.

		(viii)Details of beneficiaries of subsidy programme (number, profile etc.	N.A.
2.4	Discretionary and non-discretionary grants.	(i) Discretionary and non-discretionary grants/ allocations to State Govt./NGOs/ other institutions	Grant in aid to Chandigarh Institute of Hotel Management: Rs. 4,30,00,000/- Grant in aid to Society for Tourism & Entertainment Promotions in Chandigarh: Rs.90,00,000/-
		(ii)Annual accounts of all legal entity who are provided grants by public authorities	Grant in aid to CIHM: Rs. 4,30,00,000/- Grant in aid to STEPS: Rs.90,00,000/- (As above)
2.5	Particulars of recipients of concessions, permits of authorizations granted by the public authority [Section 4(1)(b)(xiii)]	(i)Concessions, permits or authorizations granted by public authority	Issues permits to visit Capitol Complex to the tourists/visitors complimentary.
		(ii)For each concessions, permit or authorization granted a)Eligibility criteria b)Procedure for getting the concession/ grant and/or permits of authorizations c)Name and address of the recipients given concession / permits or authorizations d)Date of award of concessions/ permits of authorizations	Copy of identity proof To apply for permission to visit the Capitol Complex. Tourists visiting the Capitol Complex. As and when required by the tourists.
2.6	CAG & PAC paras	CAG and PAC paras and the action taken reports (ATRs) after these have been laid on the table of Administrator, UT, Chandigarh.	Nil

3. Publicity Band Public interface

S.No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars
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3.1	Particulars for any arrangement for consultation with or representation by the members of the public in relation to the formulation of policy or implementation thereof [Section 4(1)(b)(vii)]	Arrangement for consultations with or representation by the members of the public (i) Relevant Acts, Rules, Forms and other documents which are normally accessed by citizens	N.A.
		(ii) Arrangements for consultation with or representation by (a) Members of the public in policy formulation/ policy Implementation (b) Day & time allotted for visitors (c) Contact details of Information & Facilitation Counter (IFC) to provide publications frequently sought by RTI applicants	- Any working day during working hours Sh. Rajnish Malhi, CPIO Mobile:8054010399
		Public-private partnerships (PPP) (i) Details of Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), if any	Nil
		(ii) Detailed project reports (DPRs)	Nil
		(iii) Concession agreements	Nil
		(iv) Operation and maintenance manuals	Nil
		(v) Other documents generated as part of the implementation manuals	Nil
		(vi) Information relating to fees, tolls, or the other kinds of revenues that may be collected under authorization from the government	This department provides Cycles to the tourists on rental basis.
		(vii) Information relating to outputs and outcomes	Revenue generated: Rs.200/-
		(viii) The process of the selection of the private sector party (concessionaire etc.)	Nil
		(ix) All payment made under the PPP project	Nil
3.2	Are the details of policies/decisions,	Publish all relevant facts while formulating important	

	which affect public, informed to them [Section 4(1)(c)]	policies or announcing decisions which affect public to make the process more interactive; (i) Policy decisions/ legislations taken in the previous one year	Nil
		(ii) Outline the Public Consultation process	Nil
		(iii) Outline the arrangement for consultation before formulation of policy	Nil
3.3	Dissemination of information widely and in such form and manner which is easily accessible to the public [Section 4(3)]	Use of the most effective means of communication (i) Internet (website)	http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in
3.4	Form of accessibility of information manual/handbook [Section 4(1)(b)]	Information manual/ handbook available in (i) Electronic format	Through website http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in
		(ii) Printed format	Tourist Literature
3.5	Whether information manual/handbook available free of cost or not [[Section 4(1)(b)]	List of materials available (i) Free of cost	Tourist Literature Yes
		(ii) At a reasonable cost of the medium	Nil

4. E-Governance

S. No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars
4.1	Language in which information Manual/Handbook available	(i) English	Yes
		(ii) Vernacular/ Local Language	No
4.2	When was the information Manual/Handbook last updated?	Last date of Annual Updation	The information related to Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration is updated frequently.
4.3	Information available in electronic form [Section 4(1)(b)(xiv)]	(i) Details of information available in electronic form	Website http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in
		(ii) Name/title of the document/ record/other information	Information on Chandigarh Tourism
		(iii) Location where available	www.chdtourism.gov.in

4.4	Particulars of facilities available to citizen for obtaining information [Section 4(1)(b)(xv)]	(i)Name & location of the facilities	Tourist Information Centres 1. Capitol Complex, Sector 1, Chandigarh 2. Sukhna Lake, Sector 1, Chandigarh 3. Palm Garden, Sector 42, Chandigarh 4. Plaza, Sector 17, Chandigarh
		(ii)Details of information made available	About tourist spots of Chandigarh, Hotels & Restaurants available in Chandigarh
		(iii)Working hours of the facility	24x7 on tollfree helpline No.18001802116
		(iv)Contact person & contact details (Phone, fax email)	Sh. Deepak Rohilla, Information Assistant Mobile: 9216535045 Sh. Nishant Katoch, Information Assistant Mobile: 8054940209 Sh. Karaj Singh, Information Assistant Mobile:9877912030 Sh.Dinesh Kumar, Information Assistant Mobile: 9316157851 Ms.Poornima Manchanda, Information Assistant Mobile:9878675708 Ms. Sonia Thakur, Information Assistant Mobile:7696025175 Sh. Lovinder, Information Assistant Mobile:7305000007
4.5	Such other information as may be prescribed under section 4(i)(b)(xvii)	(i) Grievance redressal mechanism	Centralised Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) Portal Grievances Portal Request & Appeal Management Information System(RTI-MIS) Portal or RTIs received manually.
		(ii)Details of applications received under RTI and information provided	39 Nos. of applications have been received from 01.04.2022 to 31.03.2023 and the information was provided to all.
		(iii)List of completed schemes/ projects/ programmes	N.A.
		(iv) List of schemes/projects/programme underway	N.A.
		(v)Details of all contracts entered into including name of the contractor, amount of contract and period of	1.M/s. Jaharveer from February, 2022 to till date. 2.Chandigarh Renewable Energy and Science & Technology (CREST) for providing outsource services Total Amount : Rs.91,41,000/- during F.Y. 2022-23

		completion of contract	
		(vi)Annual Report	Annexure II attached.
		(vii)Frequently Asked Question (FAQs)	Nil
		(viii)Any other information such as a)Citizen's Charter	Nil
		c)Six monthly reports loaded on the website or not	N.A.
		d)Performance against the benchmarks set in the Citizen's Charter	N.A.
4.6	Receipt & Disposal of RTI applications & appeals	(i)Details of applications received and disposed	39 nos. of applications have been received from 01.04.2022 to 31.03.2023 and all were disposed off.
		(ii)Details of appeals received and orders issued	03 nos. appeals received and disposed off.
4.7	Replies to questions asked in the parliament, if any, [Section 4(1)(d)(2)]	Details of questions asked and replies given	09 Nos. Lok Sabha/Rajya sabha questions received from 01.04.2022 to 31.03.2023 and all were replied well in time.

5. Information as may be prescribed

S.No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars		
5.1	Such other information as may be prescribed	(i)Name & details of (a)Current CPIOs & First Appellate Authority(FAAs) from 1.1.2015	Year	Name of the First Appellate Authority	Name of the CPIO
			1.1.2015	Sh. Jitender Yadav, IAS	Sh.Akhil Kumar, AC(F&A)
			1.1.2016	Sh. Jitender Yadav, IAS	Sh. Mandeep Kumar, SAS
			1.1.2017	Sh. Jitender Yadav, IAS	Sh. Mandeep Kumar, SAS

			1.1.2018	Sh. Jitender Yadav, IAS	Sh. Jagdeep Sherawat, SAS
			1.1.2019	Sh. Rakesh Kumar Popli, PCS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, SAS
			1.1.2020 to 22.11.2020	Sh. Rakesh Kumar Popli, PCS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			23.11.2020 to 31.03.2021	Smt. Nitika Pawar, IAS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			01.04.2021 to 16.11.2021	Smt. Nitika Pawar, IAS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			17.11.2021 to 04.07.2022	Smt. Hargunjit Kaur, IAS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			05.07.2022 to 09.11.2022	Sh. Rupesh Kumar, IAS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			10.11.2022 to 18.01.2023	Smt. Hargunjit Kaur, IAS	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)
			19.01.2023 till date (current charge)	Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS 0172-2700225	Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A) M:8054010399
		(ii)	Details of third party audit of voluntary disclosure	Yes, the audit has been carried out on 26.06.2023 for the F.Y. 2022-23.	
			(a) Dates of audit carried out (b) Report of the audit carried out		
		(iii)	Appointment of Nodal Officers not below the rank of Joint Director/Additional Director	Nil	
			(a) Date of appointment (b) Name & designation of the officers	N.A.	
		(iv)	Consultancy committee of key stake holders for advice on suo-motu disclosure	Nil	
			(a) Dates from which constituted (b) Name & designation of the officers	Nil	

		(v)	Committee of PIOs/FAAs with rich experience in RTI to identify frequently sought information under RTI	
			(a) Dates from which constituted (b) Name & designation of the officers	Since 2005 Present Appellate Authority: Sh. Rohit Gupta, PCS CPIO: Sh. Rajnish Malhi, AC(F&A)

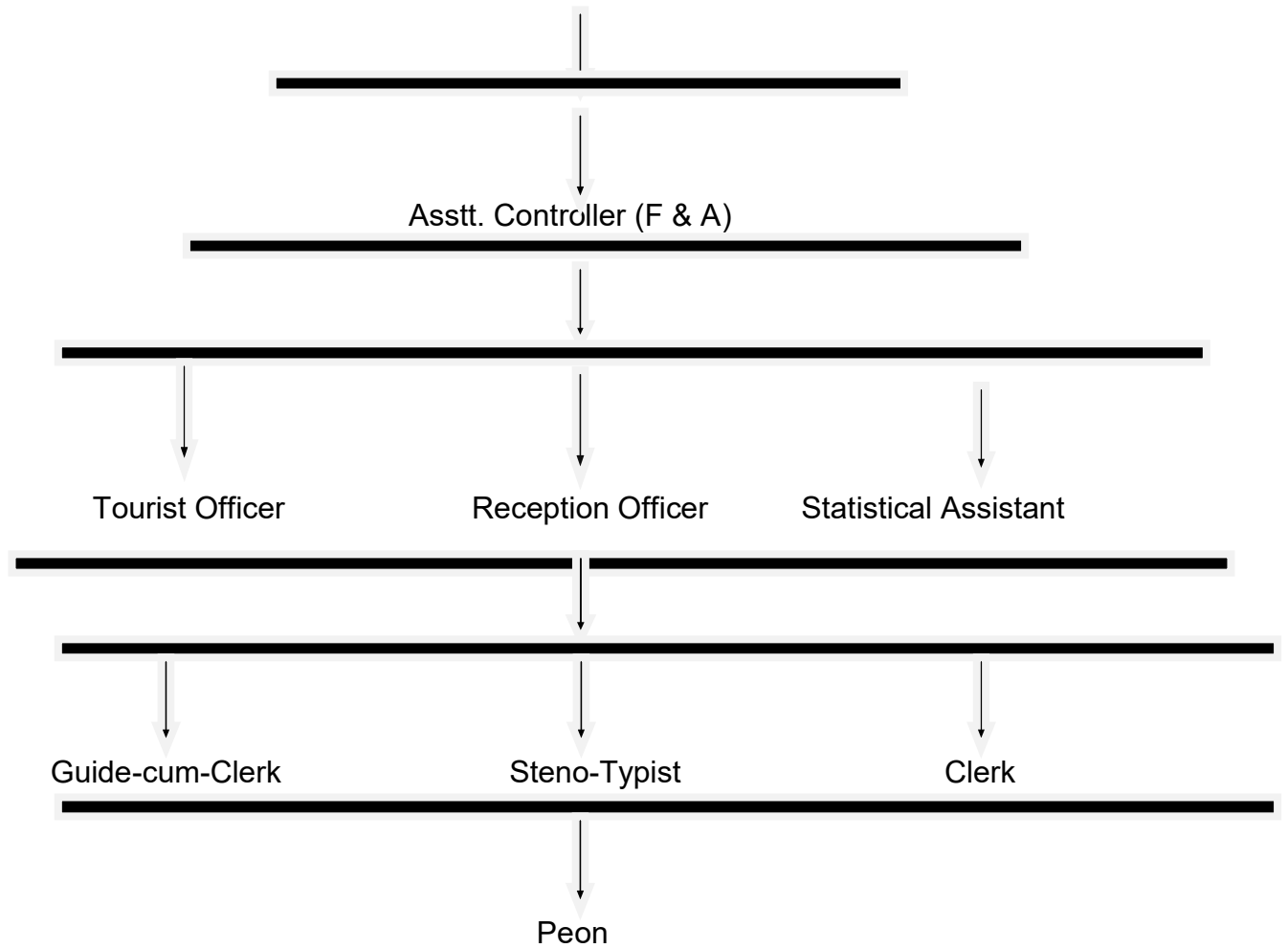
6. Information disclosed on own initiative

S.No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Particulars
6.1	Item/Information disclosed so that public have minimum resort to use of RTI Act to obtain Information	Through website at http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in	Through website at http://chandigarhtourism.gov.in By visiting the website, one can obtain the useful information about Chandigarh.

Annexure-I

Organisation Chart

Director Tourism



Annexure-II

Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration.

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration organises mega annual events such as Rose Festival, Chandigarh Carnival, World Tourism Week, World Music Day, Teej Festival, Lohri Festival and other such events towards the promotion of tourism, culture and festivity in the City beautiful of Chandigarh which gives an immense image to the City beautiful.

This department organised the following events during 2022-2023:-

1. Collaboration with Punjab Engineering College for PECFEST:-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has extended the contribution and collaboration with Punjab Engineering College during PECFEST from 16.04.2022 to 18.04.2022 by providing refreshments during the mini Marathon, the hop-on hop-off rides and the help with all the official permissions and contributed significantly towards the festival.

2. Providing of full assistance during Yoga Mahotsav:-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has provided full assistance to Yoga College during their Yoga Mahotsav event held on 19th April, 2022 at Rock Garden in the morning and Plaza, Sector 17 in the evening by providing permissions of venue, banners, sound system and also supported in public gatherings for making this event an immense achievement.

3. Providing of permission to organize the event 'Night of Ideas' at Open Hand:-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has provided the permissions for organizing the event 'Night of Ideas' by Alliance Francaise, Chandigarh on 14th May, 2022 at Open Hand, (Pit of Contemplation), Sector 1, Chandigarh.

4. Celebration of International Museums Day, 2022:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has celebrated the International Museums Day on 18th May, 2022 and organised 'A Tour of Museums'. Students of various schools have visited Le Corbusier Centre, Pierre Jeanerrette Museum and Chandigarh Architecture Museum during the celebrations of International Museums Day wherein special guided tour was organised to spread awareness about Museums and the City Beautiful among students. Special arrangements for refreshments/Gifts were also made by this department for the students. All the tourists visiting the Museums were welcomed by giving flower buds & wishing Happy International Museums Day.

5. Providing of permission to organize Environment Awareness Rally at Sukhna Lake :-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has provided the permission to organize various activities for 'Environment Awareness Rally' by Chandigarh Welfare Trust on 9th June, 2022 at Sukhna Lake, Sector 1, Chandigarh with an aim to create environment protection.

6. Celebration of 8th International Yoga Day, 2022:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has celebrated 8th International Yoga Day on 21st June, 2022 at Hotel Parkview, Hotel Mountview, Hotel Shivalikview, Sukhna Lake, Rock Garden, Museum, Sector 10, and at Hotel Lalit in collaboration with Hotel Lalit, for which this department has provided T-shirts and Yoga mats for students/hotel staff/dignitaries and participants.

7. Celebration of World Music Day, 2022:

The Department of Tourism, Chandigarh Administration has celebrated World Music Day, 2022 on 21st June, 2022 as an annual event of Chandigarh Administration. As a part of event, the department has organised a musical evening LIVE by Sh. Gurdas Maan at Urban Park, Sector 17, Chandigarh from 6:30 p.m. onwards.

8. Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav :-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration participated in the “Har Ghar Tiranga” Campaign as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to encourage citizens to display/hoist the National Flag of India on top of the houses of citizens and on top of the buildings of all Govt. & non Govt. offices from 13th August to 15th August, 2022 to mark 75th Independence Day.

9. Providing of assistance to organize “Pattern Cyclothon” to mark the end of celebrating 75 years of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav :-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration provided the assistance to organize “Pattern Cyclothon” by LEO Club Chandigarh Fortune on 14th August, 2022 to mark the end of 75 years of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav nationwide.

10. Fortnight Celebrations on the occasion of World Tourism Day-Rethinking Tourism :

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has organized fortnight celebrations with the theme “Rethinking Tourism” as a part of celebration of World Tourism Day being held from 27th September to 6th October, 2022.

11. Booking of Air show held at Sukhna Lake on 6th October & 8th October, 2022 on Chandigarh Tourism App:

The online Booking of Air show held at Sukhna Lake by the Indian Air Force on 6th & 8th October, 2022 was made on the Chandigarh Tourism App.

12. Le Corbusier Birth Anniversary:-

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration celebrated Le Corbusier's Birth Anniversary on 6th October, 2022 at Le Corbusier Centre, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh, for which a guided tour was held for Govt. School students and the information on Chandigarh City was provided to the students.

13. Celebration of birth anniversary of Sh. Nek Chand:-

On the 98th birth anniversary celebration of late Sh. Nek Chand, Creator and Director of Rock Garden, the Tourism Department with the coordination of NZCC organized folk performances Jammu artists and Sham-e-qawwali on 17th & 18th December, 2022. Diyas were lit and floral tributes were paid at his wax statue.

14. Celebration of Chandigarh Carnival:-

The Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India has already included **Chandigarh Carnival** in the National Calendar of events. The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has celebrated Chandigarh Carnival on 2nd, 3rd and 4th December, 2022 in the open ground, Sector 10, Chandigarh in which various Departments of the Chandigarh Administration were involved for making all arrangements to make this event a big success. During this festival, various cultural activities, joy rides, sculptures, vintage Car and three Bollywood and Punjabi musical Nites etc. were organized.

15. Organization of Chrysanthemum Flower show:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration provided artists for two performances in association with Municipal Corporation as a part of 35th Chrysanthemum Flower show 2022 at Fragrance Garden Sector 33, Chandigarh on 10th & 11th December, 2022.

16. Celebration of Lohri Festival:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration celebrated Lohri Festival on 12th January, 2023 with Divyangjans at Snehalaya/Ashiana Children's Home for Girls, Chandigarh with a lot of enthusiasm in the presence of the Adviser to the Administrator, UT, Chandigarh. School bags with Notebooks and stationery items were distributed to the special children.

17. Presentation of Tableau on the occasion of Republic Day Celebrations, 2023:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has prepared the tableau on the theme "**G-20 Summit**" which was displayed in the Parade Ground on 26th January, 2023 on the occasion of celebration of Republic Day, 2023.

18. Arrangements made for G-20 delegates at Chandigarh from 29th to 31st January, 2023:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration organised special sight seeing tour of Chandigarh for the G-20 Delegates and arranged cultural programme on Punjabi theme at Rock Garden, Sector 1, Chandigarh in collaboration with Municipal Corporation. The Laser show, cultural events of various States and Gala Dinner was arranged at Lake Club, Sector 1, Chandigarh in the presence of Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Administrator, U.T., Chandigarh. During the event, various stalls such as pottery, life sketching and old musical Instruments were installed. Sky lanterns were also blown.

19. Celebration of Chandigarh Rose Festival-2023 for the promotion Of Tourism, Culture and Festivity

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration has organised 51st mega annual event "Chandigarh Rose Festival-2023" from 17th to 19th February, 2023 inaugurated by the Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT, Chandigarh and Smt. Kirron Kher, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, UT, Chandigarh in the presence of Secretary Tourism, UT, Chandigarh and other senior Officers of Chandigarh Administration which contributed towards the promotion of Tourism, Culture and festivity in the City Beautiful of Chandigarh. Various cultural activities, food stalls, setting up of Amusement park and competitions etc. were the main attractions of this event.

20. Arrangements for G-20 Delegations:

It was a matter of national pride that India hold the G-20 Presidency, Chandigarh hosted 2nd Agriculture Deputies Meeting for Agriculture Working Group of G-20 Summit held on 29th, 30th & 31st March, 2023. The following arrangements were made for the G-20 Delegates from 28th to 31st March, 2023 :-

- (i) The Delegates were co-ordinated by the staff of Tourism Department during the Sight Seeing Tour at Le Corbusier Centre, Museum, Capitol Complex and Rock Garden.
- (ii) The Souvenir Shop was set up from 28th March to 01.04.2023 at Hotel Lalit, Chandigarh.
- (iii) The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration organised special sight seeing tour at Rock Garden for the G-20 Delegates and arranged cultural programme on Punjabi theme at Rock Garden, Sector 1, Chandigarh in collaboration with Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh and Industries Department, Chandigarh Administration.
- (iv) The Laser show, cultural events of various States and Gala Dinner was arranged at Lake Club, Sector 1, Chandigarh in the presence of Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Administrator, U.T., Chandigarh. During the event, various stalls such as Calligraphy and life sketching were installed and Sky lanterns were also blown. 3D Video containing "Experiences of Chandigarh" was also installed.

21. Initiatives for sensitization towards Sustainable Tourism:

On 6th March, 2023, a group of cyclists was arranged who toured and travelled Chandigarh on Bicycles to promote Sustainable Travel. The same was filmed and videographed.

22. Participation in Northern Regional Workshop on Developing Tourist Destination organized by Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India:-

On 22nd March, 2023, Department of Tourism made a presentation on Chandigarh as Sustainable Tourist Destination in New Delhi. Ten States and UTs participated in this workshop.

23. Weekend tourism:

The Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration provides platform to travellers and residents to participate in weekend tourism activities on weekends (Saturdays/Sundays) of every month.
