

Mizoram Legislative Assembly Right to Information Rules, 2006

1. **Short title and commencement:**

- (1) The rules may be called the "Mizoram Legislative Assembly Right to Information Rules, 2006
- (2) These rules shall come into force on the date of publication in the official Gazette.

2. **Definitions:**

- (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires;
 - (a) "Act" means the Right to Information Act, 2005
 - (b) "Commission" means the Mizoram State Information Commission constituted under Section 15 of the Act.
 - (c) "Form" means forms appended to these rules.
 - (d) "Fees" means fees prescribed under rule 5.
- (2) The words and expressions used but, not defined in these rules shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

3. **Application for obtaining information:**

- (1) A Person who desires to obtain information pertaining to the Mizoram Legislative Assembly Shall make an application in writing in Form A or through electronic means to the State Public Information Officer accompanied by fees prescribed under rule 5 :

Provided that where a person applying through electronic means shall have to pay the fees within seven days from the date of application, failing which the application shall be treated as withdrawn.

- (2) The State Public Information Officer on receipt of application shall give the receipt of application in Form B to the application.
- (3) The State Public Information Officer shall inform the Applicant in Form C regarding such further fees or charges to be paid by him under rule 5 for the purpose of information sought for by him.
- (4) The Fees and charges payable under rule 5 shall be paid either in cash or by Demand Draft or by Pay Order.

Provided that no fees and charges shall be payable by a person belonging to the Below Poverty Line families, if such person submits with the application a certified copy of the Below Poverty Line Card prevailing on that point of time or a Certificate issued in this behalf by a competent authority.

4. **Disposal of the Application:**

- (1) The State Public Information Officer shall provide information sought for on payment of such further fees or charges as provided in rule 5 to the applicant within 30 days of the receipt of the request in Form D or inform the applicant about the rejection of application in Form F

stating the reason or ground as provided under Sections 8 and 9 of the Act, as the case may be.

- (2) In case where the information sought for does not fall within the jurisdiction of the State Public Information Officer of Mizoram. Legislative Assembly, he shall transfer such application in Form E to the concerned State Public Information Officer within five days of the receipt of the application and inform the applicant immediately about such transfer.

5. Rates of Fees:

The Rates of Fees and other charges for obtaining required information and documents shall be as under:

- A. Application Fee Rs. 20/- Per Application
- B. Other fees and charges:

Sl.No.	Details of Information required	Prices in Rupees
1	Any information available in the form of publication	Actual price of publication
2.	Other Information / Documents (a) Information provided in (i) A4, A3 size paper (ii) Large size paper (b) For sample, model or photographs (c) For inspection of records (d) For information to be furnished in Floppy or a disc wherever possible	Rs. 2/- per page Amount of actual cost Amount of actual cost No fees for the first-half-an hour and thereafter Rs 20/- for each half an hour Rs. 50/- per floppy / disc

6. Appeal:

- (i) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the State Public Information Officer or any person who does not receive any decision within the time specified in sub-section (1) or clause (a) of Sub-Section (3) of Section 7 of the Act, as the Case may be may prefer an appeal in Form G within 30 days from the date of receipt or non-receipt of such decision, to the Appellate Authority designated by the Speaker in this behalf.
- (ii) The applicant aggrieved by an order of the Appellate Authority under Sub-rule (1) may prefer second stage appeal to the Mizoram State Information Commission within 90 days from the date of the receipt of the order of the Appellate Authority giving the following details:
 - I. Name and address of the applicant.
 - II. Name and address of the State Public Information Officer.
 - III. Number, date and details of the order against which the second stage appeal is filed.
 - IV. Brief facts leading to the second stage appeal.
 - V. Grounds for appeal.
 - VI. Verification by the appellant.
 - VII. Any information which the Commission may deem necessary for deciding the appeal.
- (iii) Every appeal made to the Commission shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the order against which second stage appeal is preferred and copies of other documents referred to and relied upon by the appellant alongwith a list thereof.

7. **Maintenance of Records:**

The State Public Information Officer shall maintain all the records in respect of the applications received for information and the fees collected for giving the information.

8. **Miscellaneous:**

For the purpose of removing any doubt it is hereby clarified that the forms as prescribed under these rules need not be in authorised preprinted stationery, but any format neatly typed, handwritten or in electronic form which covers essential details in the form shall be valid.

By Order of the Speaker

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Secretary,
Mizoram Legislative Assembly