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Corporation yet to maintain registers for RTI

Greater Chennai Corporation has failed to maintain each of the five registers relating to RTI Act.

Following reports relating to denial of information by officials under RTI Act 2005, the State government has asked Greater Chennai Corporation to maintain the five registers pertaining to various aspects of RTI queries by residents. According to estimates by officials, just 50 per cent of the RTI queries by residents in the past year were answered.

As the State Information Commission was unable to compile a list of RTI queries relating to problems in providing information, the preparation of a comprehensive annual report by the State Information Commission has been delayed. The five registers to be maintained by the Corporation include RTI petition register, register of payment of fees and charges under RTI fees rules, register of first appeal, register of penalty and disciplinary action and register of compensation.