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<u>ORDER</u>

With the introduction of AppCoMS software since 01.01.2024, applicants are

filing online Second Appeals / Complaints under the RTI Act, 2005 before the

Commission. Communications are sent to applicants through text message in their

registered mobile number as well as email in three phases at the time of (i) submitting 2nd

appeal / Complaint, (ii) schedule of hearing and (iii) order passed. Sending these through

registered post results only in duplicating the effort and increase in expenditure from the

Govt. exchequer.

2. It is therefore decided by the Commission that henceforth Registry of the

Commission will serve hearing notices of appeals / complaints to the petitioners as well

as the respective Public Authorities by e-mail only. Postal copy of the hearing notices

will be served upon the petitioners and the Public Authorities only in case of non-

availability of e-mail address.

3. This has reference to meeting Dated 07.02.2025 of the Commission, minutes of

which were circulated vide memo No. 376-WBIC-14099/1/2023-SECY(WBIC)-WBIC dated

27.02.2025.

4. This order will take effect on 01.04.2025.

By Order

State Chief Information Commissioner West Bengal Information Commission