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Office Memorandum

Subject: Quarterly RTI Returns 2015-16 - Regarding.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of CIC's letter No. 19/1/2014 –CIC-MoRe dated 10th March, 2016 on the subject mentioned above which is self- explanatory. As brought out in the CIC's letter, quarterly returns of the RTI applications and appeals during the year 2015-16 are to be submitted to the CIC by 15th April, 2016. Non-submission of the Returns to the CIC which is a mandatory requirement under the RTI Act, 2005, will be violation of the provisions of the Act. Since the Returns from most of the CPIOs/FAAs have not been received in the RTI Cell in time for the earlier 3 quarters of the year in spite of repeated reminders, the same could not be filed with CIC so far.

- Therefore, at this juncture, you are requested to submit the quarterly returns of all the 4 quarter of the year 2015-16 to the RTI Cell by 5th of April, 2016 so that a consolidated report could be submitted to the CIC in time. (A copy of the quarterly Return proforma is again enclosed for ready reference).
- Also other Public Authorities including Regional/ Subordinate/ Autonomous organisations working under this Ministry are required to submit their quarterly returns for all the 4 quarters of 2015-16 directly to the CIC website (as indicated in the enclosed CIC's letter dated 10.03.2016) under intimation to this office by 11th of April, 2016 positively.

Encl: As above.

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To

1 All CPIOs/FAAs of this Ministry.

2 All Subordinate/ Regional offices and Autonomous organisations under the administrative control of this Ministry.

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