## **ORDER**

It has been brought to my notice that some of the Central Public Information Officers (CPIOs) of Chandigarh Police do not dispose of RTI applications within the limitation period, as prescribed under the Right to Information Act, 2005. As per the RTI Act, the CPIO is to dispose of the application within 30 days from the date of receipt. In case of delay, not only the CPIO is answerable and liable to penality by the CIC (if delay is not justified), the information/copies of documents have to be supplied to the applicant free of cost resulting loss to the government. As such, all CPIOs are advised to dispose of the RTI applications within 30 days from the date of receipt of application by ACPIO (PHQ) at the Public Window (PHQ) or in the office of any of the CPIOs of Chandigarh Police whichever is earlier.

Officer (ACPIO)-cum-In charge Public Window will also ensure that all RTI applications must be transferred to the concerned CPIOs by next working day after receipt. ACPIO (PHQ) will also ensure that RTI application is transferred to all the CPIOs to whom the information sought pertains indicating the point related to each CPIO. Similarly, in case a CPIO finds that the information or part of information sought pertains to another CPIO, the application will be transferred the next very working day to concerned CPIO. While transferring the application, limitation date, by which the application is to be disposed of under the RTI Act should be mentioned while transferring the same to CPIO concerned.

(R.P. Upadhaya, IPS) Inspector General of Police, Union Territory, Chandigarh.

28221-259/UT(E-6) Dated Chandigarh, the: 10-6-2013.

## Copes to:

(i) all CPIOs/Chandigarh Police (By name) for compliance;

(ii) all Appellate
Authorities(under RTI Act)
for information.