

Right to Information

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Public information more important than ever:

"In a pandemic, information can mean the difference between life and death. Under no circumstances can the pandemic be an excuse for undermining democracy." said Brent Jolly, President of the Canadian Association of Journalists (CAJ). During times like these when state authorities take important decisions on health, freedom and rights, it is the duty of the state to share information based on facts and true figures. If public departments are hampering the public information that is vital to individuals for making well informed decisions then state should take immediate steps to remove those barriers in the way of information dissemination. Right to Information (RTI) is a fundamental right of a citizen and they should be given liberty to exercise this right.

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All individuals as citizens of any country have the right to seek and receive information held by government and private authorities with a view to ensuring transparency....

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India

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National Herald

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Though not often advertised through any form of public domain, the Freedom of Information Act is a bill which allows members of the public to request information....

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The Economic Times

Widely acclaimed as one of the strongest legislations in the world, the RTI Act firmly established India's democratic credentials in the world....

Pakistan

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The government has emerged as "the single largest predator of journalists" when it comes to filing legal cases against them for their journalism....

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Geo News

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The Ministry of Finance and the Public Service on Wednesday launched the Jamaica Investment Map, a digital platform that will facilitate interactive public access to information....

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Government of Canada

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