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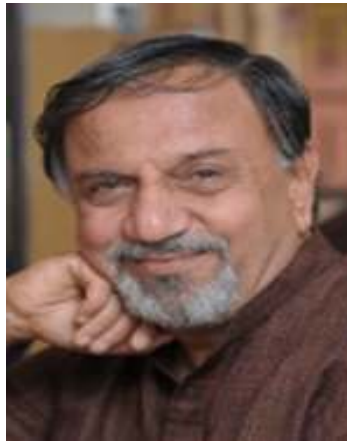
Lecture cum Interactive Session on *RTI and Good Governance*  
by

**Shailesh Gandhi**, eminent RTI activist and Former Central Information Commissioner of India

11:00 am to 12:30 pm on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2012

At The International Centre Goa

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Brief Profile



**Experience**

- First generation Entrepreneur started with a small scale unit in Plastics packaging in 1972.
- Established Clear Plastics Limited in 1980 and grew it to a significant size employing 500 people and using only indigenous machinery. Known as an innovative entrepreneur designing and supplying plastic bottles and caps to some of the best Companies in India.
- Was the Chairman and Managing Director of the Company.
- Sold the Business in 2003 to work for Right to Information.
- Was Chairman of the IIT Bombay Alumni Association for 3 years.
- Worked as RTI activist from 2003 to 2008.
- Appointed as Central Information Commissioner in September 2008.

**RTI**

- Conducted hundreds of workshops for Citizens and Government officers in slums, clubs, offices, schools and colleges, without any charges.
- Helping and guiding many Citizens in using RTI responsibly.

- As Central Information Commissioner disposed over 20000 cases in less than four years, and ensuring disposal of most cases within 90 days. Responsible for many important orders to increase transparency.
- Set up the first digital paperless Information Commission.
- Responsible for a number of measures to make the Commission more transparent and accountable.

### **Notable Awards**

- The Distinguished Service Award and the Distinguished Alumnus Award by IIT Bombay.
- The Nani Palkhiwala Civil Liberties Award in 2008.
- The Satyendra Dubey Award by IIT Kanpur.