



**Training Seminar
on**

Right to Information Act - 2005

Organized by

THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, GOA

In collaboration with

**PUBLIC CONCERN FOR GOVERNANCE TRUST,
MUMBAI**

Resource Person:

Shri. Ganesh Sovani, Advocate, Bombay High Court

Venue

**The International Centre, Goa
Dona Paula, Goa, India**

Saturday, 16 December 2006

PROGRAMME

1000 – 1045 INAUGURAL SESSION

- 1000 – 1010 Welcome Address by
**Shri. A N S Nadkarni, Trustee, ICG and
Advocate & former Advocate General**
- 1010 – 1025 Address by the Resource Person
**Shri Ganesh Sovani, Advocate, Bombay High
Court**
- 1020 – 1040 Keynote Address by the Chief Guest
Shri. J P Singh, Chief Secretary of Goa
- 1045 – 1100 Tea/ coffee break

SESSION I

- 1100 – 1230 Impacts of Corruption and Tackling it through
RTIA - 2005
- 1230 – 1300 Discussion
- 1300 – 1400 Lunch Break

SESSION II

- 1400 – 1530 PIO's approach towards RTI and its better
implementation
- 1530 – 1600 Discussion
- 1600 – 1615 Tea/ Coffee Break

SESSION III

- 1615 – 1645 Creating Confluence of Citizen and
Government
- 1645 – 1700 Discussion

ABOUT RESOURCE PERSON:

Shri. Ganesh Sovani, Advocate, Bombay High Court, is also privileged to appear as a ‘Special Public Prosecutor’ for the Government of Maharashtra in select matters. He has been writing substantially on issues pertaining to law and order, policing, judiciary, politics, international politics, media, matters pertaining to human interest in both Marathi & English newspapers of Times & Express group. He is also a legal advisor to two leading Marathi newspaper called ‘Sakal’ and ‘Lokmat’ published from Mumbai. Shri. Sovani has conducted several orientation and training courses for Maharashtra Police on MCOCA & POTA and has also conducted seminars on Right to Information Act – 2005 intended to make people understand how useful the Act is.

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SOME WEBSITES:

<http://rti.gov.in/>

<http://egov.goa.nic.in/rtipublic/sic.aspx>

<http://persmin.nic.in/RTI/WelcomeRTI.htm>

<http://www.mit.gov.in/rti-act.pdf>

<http://righttoinformation.gov.in/>

<http://www.ndtv.com/rti/RTI-ActInHindi.pdf>

<http://www.ndtv.com/rti/successstories.asp>

<http://www.ndtv.com/rti/faqs.asp>

http://www.righttoinformation.info/rti_primer04.doc

ABOUT ORGANISERS:

Public Concern for Governance Trust, Mumbai

Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT), a registered trust, founded by a few concerned citizens, has the capability to mobilize public opinion and increase public participation and activism towards creating more transparent and efficient governance. PCGT works to ensure enactment of laws and policies, which promote honesty, transparency and accountability in governance. It takes up causes, which affect large segments of society, particularly the poor, and it promotes islands of integrity and excellence among government and other bodies.

For fulfilling its broader objectives PCGT has delineated six focus areas (mentioned below) in which it will concentrate its work in the coming years. The goal of these projects will be to ensure Justice without corruption, by improving governance and reducing corruption at the local and national levels.

(www.pcgt.org)

1. Community Policing
2. Legal and Civil Reforms
3. Value Education
4. Advocacy and Outreach (NGOs and CBOs)
5. Communication and Networking
6. Promoting Honesty through Public Recognition

The International Centre, Goa (ICG)

The International Centre, Goa (ICG) was founded in June 1987 under the Societies Act (1860) “to promote understanding and amity between parts of the country and with different communities of the world” through a multiplicity of activities. The Centre is an autonomous institution. It relies on grants and donations from local and international institutions to fund its programmes. Residential and non-residential conferences, seminars and training programmes are organized by local, national and international organizations. The Centre also has 44 guest rooms, 3 seminar rooms, a restaurant, and several lawns of different sizes that are used for private functions, which could range from small get-togethers to elaborate parties. The ICG’s facilities are located on 8 acres of land on the Taleigao Plateau at Dona Paula, Goa. The plateau overlooks the confluence of the famous Zuari and Mandovi Rivers.

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