

भारत निर्वाचन आयोग Election Commission of India

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No. 4/RTI/44/2024/Communication

Dated: 13 November, 2024

To

Ms. Astha Savyasachi a.savyasachi22@gmail.com

Subject: Right to information under RTI Act, 2005 (Reg no. 29346) -reg.

Madam,

I am to refer to your RTI application dated 18.10.2024 and to furnish the item wise information, as under:

Information sought	Reply
Requesting information, under Section 6(1) of the RTI Act, regarding the implementation of the 'Voluntary Code of Ethics for 2019 General Elections' presented by the Social Media platforms to the Election Commission of India (ECI). The Code came into effect on March 20, 2019, as notified by ECI Press Note (refer-ECI/PN/33/2019). The information needed pertains to the Election Commission of India (ECI), as per details given below: 1. Provide the following information about the notifications sent by ECI to social media platforms, from March 1, 2024 to June 4, 2024, flagging the running political advertisements that are not precertified by MCMC. (refer point 4 of 'Voluntary code of Ethics', Page 68, Handbook on Media matters for CEO & DEOs). 2. Total number of notifications sent by ECI to the following social media platforms, from March 1, 2024 to June 4, 2024, flagging the running political advertisements that are not pre-certified by MCMC - Facebook Whatsapp Instagram X (previously known as 'Twitter') YouTube. 3. Provide copies of all the notifications sent by ECI to following social media platforms, from March 1, 2024 to June 4, 2024, flagging the running political	The requisite data sought by you is 'NIL'.
advertisements that are not pre- certified by MCMC - Facebook Whatsapp Instagram X (previously known as 'Twitter') YouTube.	
4. Provide the details of all the actions taken by the following social media platforms, as intimated to ECI from March 1, 2024 to June 4, 2024, on the notifications received about the political advertisements that are not pre-certified by MCMC Facebook Whatsapp Instagram X (previously known as 'Twitter') YouTube.	

5. Provide a copy of all the emails forwarded by Social media Nodal officers in CEO offices of all the States/UTs to ECI social media nodal officers on following email id: media-division@eci.gov.in regarding the complaints/violations of MCC and other electoral laws wrt 2019 and 2024 General elections.

The information requested is not available in the compiled form and would disproportionately divert the resources and therefore, you may take reference of Section 7(9) of the R.T.I. Act, 2005.

Further, you may refer to CIC order no. CIC/ECOMM/A/2022/653217 dt. 14.07.2023.

2. If you are not satisfied with the information supplied, you may prefer an appeal with the First Appellate Authority within thirty days of receiving of this information. Detail of First Appellate Authority is as under:

Shri. T.C Kom Principal Secretary & First Appellate Authority, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

Yours faithfully,

(Rajesh Kumar Singh) Under Secretary& CPIO