



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (CO-ORDINATION) DEPARTMENT

No.CDN5/204/2023-GAD

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated:12-12-2023

NOTIFICATION

Sub-	Appointment of Chief Information Commissioner in the Kerala State Information Commission- inviting Applications -Reg.
Ref-	1. The Right to Information (Amendment) Act, 2019 (Central Act 24 of 2019) 2. Office Memorandum No.F.No.1/5/2019-IR dated 7th November, 2019 of the Government of India, Ministry of Personnel and Public Grievances and Pensions.

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 15 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005) (the Act) the Government of Kerala has, constituted the Kerala State Information Commission to exercise the powers conferred on and to perform the functions assigned to it under the Act with headquarters at Thiruvananthapuram. The said Act has been amended by the Information Commission (Amendment) Act, 2019 (Central Act 24 of 2019). The Commission shall have a State Chief Information Commissioner and five State Information Commissioners. The powers and functions of the State Chief Information Commissioner and State Information Commissioners are as provided under the Act.

2. It is proposed to appoint Chief Information Commissioner in the Kerala State Information Commission to succeed the present incumbent on completion of tenure likely on 29.02.2024. The Act provides that the State Chief Information Commissioner shall be person of eminence in public life with wide knowledge and experience in law, science and technology, social service, management, journalism, mass-media or administration and governance.

3. The Chief Information Commissioner shall not be a Member of Parliament or

Member of the Legislature of any State or Union Territory, as the case may be, or hold any other office of profit or connected with any political party or carrying on any business or pursuing any profession. It is clarified that cessation/termination of holding of office of profit, pursuing any profession or carrying any business is a condition precedent to the appointment of a person as Chief Information Commissioner.

4. As per the Act, the State Chief Information Commissioner shall hold office for a term of three years from the date on which he enters upon his office or till he attains the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier, and shall not be eligible for reappointment as such State Chief Information Commissioner. The salary, allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the Chief Information Commissioner shall be as per Right to Information (Term of office, Salaries, Allowances and other Terms and Conditions of Service to Chief Information Commissioner, Information Commissioners in the Central Information Commission, State Chief Information Commissioner and State Information Commissioners in the State Information Commission) Rules, 2019.

5. Persons fulfilling the criteria and interested in appointment to the post of Chief Information Commissioner may send their particulars in the enclosed proforma by post to the **Additional Chief Secretary, General Administration (Co-ordination) Department, Government Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram - 695001** or through e-mail to **gatedncicapplications@gmail.com by 5:00 PM on 30th December, 2023.** Persons who are serving under the State/Central Government or any other Organisation, should send their particulars through proper channel. Applications using other addresses and e-mail addresses will not be considered. Applications either direct or through proper channel received after the prescribed date and time shall be rejected.

(By Order of the Governor)

K R JYOTHILAL

ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY