SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT – 2005

Manual – 1:- The Particulars of its Organization, Functions & Duties –

(1) Objective / purpose of the public authority.

The objective of Science & Technology Department is the overall development of Information Technology (IT), Biotechnology (BT) and Science & Technology (S&T) in the state of Gujarat.

(2) Mission / Vision Statement of the public authority.

To make Gujarat the leader in Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology among the various States of India – comparable to the global best – so that the results of IT, BT and S&T Resolutions reach the common masses. We will also endeavor to take science to the masses through BISAG, Science City and Gujarat Council of Science & Technology.

(3) Brief history of the public authority and context of its formation

The state government had earlier opened an Information Technology Division under the ages of General Administration Department. To give fillip to the overall sector of Science & Technology, the state government decided to make a Department of Science & Technology was created with clear vision to give a fillip to the following sectors –

- 1. Information Technology
- 2. Biotechnology
- 3. Science & Technology

The department came into force on 1st April, 2002.

(4) Duties of the public authority

Formulation of Policy in terms of Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology and implementation of the same all over the state of Gujarat.

(5) Main Activities / Functions of the Public Authority

Formation of Policy of Information Technology, Development of Information Technology, Promotion of Information Technology, Projects related to the development of infrastructure in the field of Information Technology.

Formation of the Biotechnology policy and implementation of Biotechnology policy through Gujarat State Biotechnology Mission and to create core infrastructure for the development of Biotechnology and setting up of the Biotechnology Park & establishment Gujarat Genomic Institute, Gujarat Biodiversity Gen Bank technology, Gujarat Institute of Bioinformatics and Gujarat Institute of Marine Biotechnology

(6) List of services being provided by the public authority with a brief write-up on them.

Formation of the policy, promotion of the sector and dissemination of the sector **all over** the state.

(7) Organizational Structure Diagram at various levels namely State, directorate, region district, block etc (whichever is applicable).

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- (8) Expectation of the public authority from the public for enhancing its effectiveness and efficiency.

To promote / deliver policies, GRs, promote delivery of the information in respect of all the three sectors, schemes, the project which are being taken up by the department.

(9) Arrangements and methods made for seeking public participation / contribution.

Under the Department of Science & Technology various committees have been formed for Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology sector as per the following GR's:-

Information Technology

1. An advisory committee has been constituted for the developments of IT Sector vide GR No. ITA-1098-1028-ITD dated 14.12.1998.

Science & Technology and Biotechnology

- 1. Gujarat State Biotechnology Mission (GSBTM)
 - (1) Establishment and Registration of Gujarat State Biotechnology Mission under the Society Registration Act, 1860 and Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950 G.R. No. BTM-2004-1174-BT dated 11-1-2005
 - (2) Reconstitution of Gujarat Council of Biotechnology. G.R. No. BOT-2003-2115-BT dated 31-5-2005
- 2. Gujarat Council on Science & Technology (GUJCOST)
 - (1) Establishment of Gujarat Council on Science & Technology G.R. No. STC-1091-1133-316(99)-ST, Education Dept. Dated 22-9-1999
 - (2) Appointment of Secretary, Science & Technology dept. as a Chairman of Governing Body of Gujarat Council on Science & Technology G.R. No. GUJ-2003-302-S&T dated 15-3-2003
 - (3) Reconstitution of Expert Committee for Dr. Vikram Sarabhai Award G.R. No. BTM-2004-2284-BT dated 24-8-2005
- 3. Institute of Seismological Research (ISR)
 - (1) Appointment of Director General of Institute of Seismological Research Office Order No. CST-102003-200-Estt.-S&TD, dated 8-7-03
 - (2) Setting up and registration of Institute of Seismological Research G.R. No. ISR-2003-687-DST, dated 27-8-2004
 - (3) Setting up of first Governing Council of Institute of Seismological Research G.R. No. ISR-2003-687-DST dated 9-9-2004
- 4. Gujarat Bio-Technology Research Centre (GBRC), G.R. No. BTM-102016-299-BT, dated 11-08-2017
- 5. Savli Technology and Business Incubator (STBI), G. R. No. BTM-102017-441-BT, dated 04-10-2017
- 6. Establishment of Gujarat Council of Science city (GCSC), G. R. No. SCT-1099-979-ITD, dated-04/09/1999.
- 7. Establishment of Gujarat Biotechnology University **(GBU)** vide Gujarat Biotechnology University Act-2018
- (10) Mechanism available for monitoring the service delivery and public grievance resolution.

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