

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3894
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PURVIEW OF RTI ACT
Kothapalli Smt. Geetha;Yadav Shri Om Prakash

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to bring Public Private Partnership (PPP) projects and private electricity power companies within the purview of the Right to Information (RTI) Act;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office.
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (c): The RTI Act, 2005 is applicable to public authorities as defined under Section 2(h) of the Act, which include bodies owned, controlled or substantially financed by the Government and non-Government organizations substantially financed directly or indirectly by funds provided by the appropriate Government. Further, as per Section 2(f) of the Act, information relating to any private body, which can be accessed by public authority under any other law for the time being in force, is already within the purview of the RTI Act, 2005. Any information about Public Private Partnership arrangement which can be disclosed under the RTI Act may be accessed through the Public Authority which has entered into the said arrangement.