## RTI Act, 2005

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA, ATLANTA REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 4(1)(B) OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

(i)	The particulars of its organization, functions and duties;	Consulate General of India is headed by Consul General and has following 7 Wings: (i) Political Wing (ii) Chancery Wing (iii) Community Affairs Wing (iv) Administration Wing (v) Press, Information, Education & Culture Wing (vi) Commerce Wing (vii) Consular Wing Each Wing is headed by a Consul rank officer. The functions of the Consulate inter alia, include politica and economic cooperation, trade and investment promotion, cultural interaction, press and media liaison, and scientific cooperation in bilateral and multilateral contexts. Consulate functions within the purview of business allocated to the Embassy of India, Washington under Ministry of External Affairs,Government of India's Allocation of Business Rules and Transaction of Business Rules.
(ii)	the powers and duties of its officers and employees;	General Administrative powers are derived f rom IFS (PLCA) Rules, as amended f rom time to time. Financial powers of the Officers of the Embassy of India havebeen detailed in the Delegated Financial powers of the Government of India Representatives Abroad. Other powers are derived f rom the Passport Act of India. The
		Officers of the Embassy function under the guidance and supervision of the Ambassador.
(iii)	the procedure followed in the decision making process, including channels of supervision and accountability;	Decisions are taken as per extant rules and guidelines, where applicable and under the instruction and supervision of the Ambassador

(iv)	the norms set by it for thedischarge of its functions;	Norms are set under the instruction and supervision of theAmbassador.
(v)	the rules, regulations, instructions, manuals and records, held by it orunder its control or used by its employees for discharging its functions;	IFS PLCA rules and annexures Delegated Financial Powers of Government of India Repres entatives abroad Rules Passport Act Manuals of Office Procedures Other Central Government Rules and manuals published by Central Government.
(vi)	a statement of the categories of documents that are held by it or under its control;	Classified documents/files relating to India relations with USA Unclassified documents/files including joint statements, declarations, agreements and MoUs. Passport and consular services application forms
(vii)	the particulars of any arrangement that exists for consultation with, or repres entation by, the members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policy or implementation thereof;	Consulate General of India functions within the norms of India's foreign policy formulated by the Ministry of External Affairs. Policy is implemented by the Consulate under the guidance and supervision of the Ambassador.

(viii)	a statement of the boards, councils, committees and other bodies consisting of two or more persons constituted as its part or for the purpose of its advice, and as to whether meetings of those boards, councils, committees and other bodies are open to the public, or the minutes of such meetings are accessible for public;	Consulate interacts regularly with representatives of think tanks, academic community and others.
(ix)	a directory of its officers and employees;	List of Officers is given at Annexure-I
(x)	the monthly remuneration received by each of its officers and employees, including the system of compensation as provided in its regulations;	A statement of monthly remuneration is at Annexure-II
(xi)	the budget allocated to each of its agency, indicating the particulars of all plans, proposed expenditures and reports on disbursements made;	The Budget figures for the current financial year (2022- 23) are given in the statement at <u>Annexure-III</u>

(xii)	the manner of execution of subsidy programmes, including the amounts allocated and the details of beneficiaries of such programmes;	Consulate General of India, Atlanta does not have any subsidy programme.
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(xiii)	particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorizations granted by it;	No concessions/permits are granted by Consulate General of India, Atlanta
(xiv)	details in respect of the information, available to or held byit, reduced in an electronic form;	The Consulate website has the required information. Consulate also makes available to interested individuals various Brochures, CDs and DVDs containing information on India, itspeople and culture.
(xv)	the particulars of facilities available to citizens for obtaining information, including the working hours of a library or reading room, if maintained for public use;	The Consulate is open from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm, or 0900 hrs to 1730 hrs f rom Monday to Friday. The holidays observed by the E mb as sy are given on the web site www.indiainatlanta.gov.in
(xvi)	the names, designations and otherparticulars of the Public Information Officers;	Central Public Information Officer   Mr. Himanshu Alwaria   Vice Consul(OCI)   Phone : +1 470 890 9236   Email : cons.atlanta@mea.gov.in Email : cons.atlanta@mea.gov.in 890 9236   Appellate Authority Mr. M. K. Ghildiyal Consul(Pol&Com) 4081   Phone: +1 404 769 4081   Email: pol.atlanta@mea.gov.in 1000 1000 1000
(xviij	such other information as may beprescribed and thereafter update these publications every year;	The Consulate's website has information which is updated on aregular basis.