

**PRAYATNA PRESENTS**

## **Online National Essay Competition 2013**

# **THE CONTRIBUTION OF RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT 2005 IN LAST 8 YEARS OF INDIAN DEMOCRACY**

### **ABOUT PRAYATNA**

Since its establishment in 2001, Prayatna has received national and international acclaim for prompting good governance in environment protection and human rights. Winner of awards like the PCRFB-NDTV National RTI Award '09 and SR Jindal Award '12, Prayatna strives to strengthen the democracy and democratic values of the nation.

### **ABOUT RTI**

The RTI Act, 2005 is to provide for setting out the practical regime of right to information for citizens to secure access to information under the control of public authorities, in order to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority.

The Constitution of India has established democratic Republic, where democracy requires an informed citizenry and transparency of information which are vital to its functioning and also to contain corruption and to hold Governments and their instrumentalities accountable to the governed.

The revelation of information in actual practice is likely to conflict with other public interests including efficient operations of the Governments, optimum use of limited fiscal resources and the preservation of confidentiality of sensitive information. It is necessary to harmonise these conflicting interests while preserving the paramountcy of the democratic ideal. Therefore, it is expedient to provide for furnishing certain information to citizens who desire to have it.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- 1) All manuscripts (in e-mail) must be accompanied by:
  - a) A covering letter with the:
    - name of the author.
    - the title of the manuscript
    - contact information (email, phone, etc.)
  - b) Word limit: 1500 words.
- 2) All Submissions should be made in Word Format (.doc) / (.docx) format with subject:

“RTI Essay Competition: 2013”
- 3) All submissions are required to be typewritten in *Times New Roman with 12 points font size, line spacing 1.5’ justified.*
- 4) Text and citations should ideally conform to the rules in the Bluebook: A Uniform System Of Citation (19th Edition).

### PRIZES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Rs 5000  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Rs 3000  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Rs 2000

All Participants will be awarded Certificate.

LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION:  
15th November, 2013

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION DATE:  
30<sup>th</sup> November, 2013

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