

1. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION.

The Commission submits an annual report to the State Government on the implementation of the provisions of this act. The State Government places this report before the State Legislature.

The Commission can order an enquiry into many matters if there are reasonable grounds. The Commission has the power to receive and inquire into a complaint from any person.

During enquiry of a complaint, the commission may examine any record which is under the control of the public authority and no such record may be withheld from it on any grounds.

While inquiring, the commission has the power of the civil court in respect of the following matter:

Requiring the discovery and inspection of documents;

Issuing summons for examinations of witnesses or documents and any other matter which may be prescribed

Summoning and enforcing attendance of persons and compelling them to give oral or written evidence on oath and to produce documents or things.

Receiving evidence on affidavit

Requisitioning any public record from any court or office

When a public authority does not conform to the provisions of this act, the commission may recommend steps which ought to be taken for promoting such conformity.