

List of Speakers

Session Sub-Themes	Chairperson for session.	Speakers
(i) RTI and transparent governance	Shri A.N. Tiwari Information Commissioner Central Information Commission	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prof. Madhu Kishwar, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies. 2. Mr. Parth Shah, President, Centre for Civil Society 3. Mr. D.K. Daschaudhuri, SIC, State Information Commission, Tripura. 4. Mr. Jamil Osman, Secretary, M/o Information, Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
(ii) RTI-Need for a different strategy specific to rural area	Ms.Aruna Roy Social Activist, Magsaysay Award Winner	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. R. Chandrashekhar, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Information & Technology, Govt. of India, New Delhi. 2. Mr. T.R. Raghunandan, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India, New Delhi. 3. Mr. V.V. Giri, SIC, State Information Commission, Kerala. 4. Mr. Vilas Patil, SIC, State Information Commission, Maharashtra State 5. Mr. G.P. Wahlang, SCIC, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong
(iii) RTI and poverty alleviation	Shri B.N. Yugandhar, Member, Planning Commission, India	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prof. M.M. Ansari, Information Commissioner, Central Information Commission. 2. Dr. Suresh V. Joshi, SCIC, State Information Commission, Maharashtra State 3. Shri Nikhil De, MKSS 4. Ms. Shaheen Anam, Bangladesh

<p>(iv) RTI and protection of individual privacy</p>	<p>Justice Shri J. S. Verma Former CJI, Supreme Court of India</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. F.S. Nariman, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court 2. Mr. Prashant Bhushan, Advocate, Supreme Court 3. Mr. B.K. Chakraborty, Chief SIC, State Information Commission, Tripura.
<p>(v) Media, Civil Society and RTI</p>	<p>Mr. Prannoy Roy CMD, NDTV</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Bhaskar Rao, Chairman, Centre for Media Studies 2. Mr. Vijay Kuvalekar, Pune, SIC, State Information Commission, Maharashtra State. 3. Mr. Jagadananda, SIC, Orissa Information Commission
<p>(vi) RTI in South Asia – an overview</p>	<p>Shri Wajahat Habibullah Chief Information Commissioner Central Information Commission</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Rukshana Nanaykkara, Project Director, Transparency International, Sri Lanka 2. Mr. Pranav Bhattarai, Managing Editor, Good Governance, Investigation and Analysis, Nepal 3. Mr. Mukhtar Ahmad Ali, Executive Director, Centre for peace and development initiatives, Pakistan
<p>(vii) Current Assessment of RTI</p>	<p>Shri Wajahat Habibullah Chief Information Commissioner Central Information Commission</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Shekhar Singh, National campaign for people's Right to Information 2. Dr. S.K. Sarkar, Joint Secretary (RTI), DoPT 3. Mr. Shailesh Gandhi, Information Commissioner, CIC