

# Haryana Commission Gets Auto Appeal Software's Copyright

#### Why in News?

The <u>Haryana Right to Service (RTS) Commission</u> has secured the "<u>copyright</u>" for '<u>Auto Appeal Software</u>' (AAS).

Haryana RTS Commission applied for copyright in 2022 and it was granted on March 20, 2024.

#### **Key Points**

- The AAS (launched in 2021) is the first software of its kind in India which eliminates the need for the complainant to do anything to file an appeal.
  - Through AAS, a total of 11,70,766 appeals have been raised by 27th March 2024, out of which 11,56,595 appeals have also been disposed of.
  - The disposal rate of appeals in AAS is 98.8%.
- Haryana is the first state in the country to provide this facility to its citizens.
- The copyright is a type of <u>intellectual property</u> that grants the creator of an original work, or another <u>rights holder</u>, exclusive and <u>legally protected rights</u> to copy, distribute, adapt, display, and perform the work.

## Copyright

- Copyright refers to the legal protection provided to creators of literary, dramatic, musical, and artistic works, as well as producers of cinematograph films and sound recordings.
  - The Copyright Act of 1957 aims to safeguard these creative works as the intellectual property of their creators.
  - Unlike the case with patents, copyright protects the expressions and not the ideas.
  - In addition to the act, the **Copyright (Amendment) Rules 2021**, are brought into effect to bring the copyrights in line with other relevant laws.
- Copyright owners have the right to take legal action against infringers, including seeking remedies such as injunctions, damages, and accounts.

### **Haryana Right to Service Commission**

- It was constituted by the state government via a notification issued on 31st July 2014.
- It is a statutory body constituted under Sections 12(1) and (2) of the Haryana Right to Service Act, 2014.
- The Commission will consist of **one Chief Commissioner and a maximum of four Commissioners**, who will oversee the effective implementation of the Haryana Right to Service Act, 2014.
- The HRTS Act, 2014, has empowered people to make the most of the services in a hassle-free, transparent and time-bound manner through an effective service delivery mechanism.

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