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As per DOPT OM Dated 23rd June 2009¹⁾, file noting can be disclosed except file noting containing information exempt from disclosure under section 8 of the Act.

Section 2 (f) of the RTI Act defines 'information' which includes 'record'. Section 2(i)(a) states that a 'record' includes any document, manuscript and file. The operative definition of a 'file' is given in the Manual of Office Procedure prepared by the Central Secretariat, Government of India. The definition of 'file' in the Manual includes 'notes' and 'appendices to notes'. In Central Information Commission(CIC) Decision No. ICPB/A-1/CIC/2006 dt.31.01.2006, the CIC held that "file notings are not, as a matter of law, exempt from disclosure".

Thus, file notings can be disclosed under the Act.

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[DOPT OM Dated 23rd June 2009](#): Disclosure of 'file noting' under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

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