OFFICE OF THE FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY

(Under the Right to Information Act)
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
ICSI House, 22, Institutional Area, Lodi Road
New Delhi

Appeal No. 12/2017

IN THE MATTER OF:

Satish Singal Purani Anaj Mandi Kaithal Haryana – 136 027

Appellant

Vs.

Central Public Information Officer
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
'ICSI House'
22, Institutional Area
Lodi Road
New Delhi – 110 003

Respondent

Date of Order: 21st July, 2017

ORDER

- 1. The appellant had filed an appeal dated 18th May, 2017 (received in this office on 25th May, 2017) under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as 'RTI Act') in response to the information supplied vide letter bearing No. RTI 2005/1848/(17) dated 30th March, 2017 by the Central Public Information Officer (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent") of The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, ICSI House, 22, Institutional Area, Lodi Road, New Delhi.
- 2. In this appeal, the appellant has submitted that the CPIO wants to hide the information sought by him which is not permitted under the RTI Act.
- 3. The respondent vide letter dated 30th March, 2017 had informed the appellant that the information as sought by him can not be provided as the queries of the appellant is ambiguous / inexplicit or exempted under relevant clauses of the RTI Act or not an information under the RTI Act or not maintained in the format/ content as sought by the appellant.
- 4. The respondent has submitted that the information sought vide queries at Sl.No. 1, 2 & 3 is not information under Section 2(f) of the RTI Act.
- 5. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide queries at Sl.No. 4, 10 and 14, the exact information sought by the appellant is not clear as the queries are uncertain and confusing.
- 6. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide queries at Sl.No. 5, 7, 9 and 11, the queries are indistinct.

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- 7. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide query at Sl.No. 6, the information sought is exempt under Section 8(1)(e) and 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act as it is related to examination activities of a Statutory Body and is highly sensitive and confidential in nature.
- 8. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide query at Sl.No. 11A, the information is exempt under Section 8(1)(g) and 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act as it is personal information, the disclosure of which has no relationship with any public activity or interest and may endanger the life or physical safety of the individual concerned.
- 9. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide query at Sl.No. 11B, the information is not maintained in the form / content.
- 10. The respondent has further submitted that as regards the information sought vide queries at Sl.No. 12 and 13, the information is exempt under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act as it is personal information, the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest and may endanger the life or physical safety of the individual concerned.
- 11. I find that opportunities were given to the appellant for presenting his case in person on 6th June, 2017 and 18th July, 2017 which were not availed.
- 12. This Office has carefully considered the application, the response, the appeal and other records made available and finds that the matter can be decided based on the material available on record.
- 13. After going through the submissions of the respondent, this Office concurs with the submission of the respondent that various information sought by the appellant can not be provided except in the case of query at Sl.No. 11B. This Office is not in agreement with the respondent's submission that the information sought at Sl.No. 11B can not be provided as the said information is not maintained in the form/content whereas the appellant has mentioned any specific format. As such, the CPIO is directed to provide the information sought at Sl.No. 11B that is 'the Attendance Register of staff/ officers only from December, 2016 to January, 2017 of Head Office', in the format as maintained in the Institute.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

(Ankur Yadav)

First Appellate Authority

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