

**CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION**

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, August Krant Bhawan,  
Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi -110066.

Email:- kl.das@nic.in.

Tel: 011 – 26182597, 26182598

CICOM/R/2017/50556- BJ

Dated:- 25.10.2017

To,  
Shri Satish Ashok Sherkhane,

Sir,

This has reference to your RTI application dated 18.09.2017 registered in the Commission vide file No. CICOM/R/2017/50556 dated 19.09.2017. The information sought by you is furnished as under:-

**Point No. 1** Following documents have already been forwarded to you vide my letter No. CICOM/R/2017/50489-DR(BJ) dated 17.10.2017(Copy enclosed):-

- (1). Letter No. RTI/HR/24/2014-15/1809 dated 03.03.2017.
- (2). Copy of Notice No. CIC/MP/A/2014/002531 dated 09.02.2017.
- (3). Letter No. RTI/HR/24/2014-15 dated 09.09.2015.
- (4). Letter No. RTI/HR/CIC/24/767/2015 dated 19.09.2015.2.

**Point No. 2** Written submission of Shri V Balaji dated 03.03.2017 has also been provided to you as mentioned above.

**Point No. 3** The Order was issued on 18.08.2017. Due to typographical error therein, a fresh Order dated 13.10.2017 has been issued. A copy of the Order is enclosed.

If you are not satisfied with the above reply, you may prefer appeal to First Appellate Authority (Shri. Rakesh Kumar Singh, Addl. Secretary) – CIC, Room No. 296, IInd Floor, Wing – B, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi.(Telephone No. 011-26162290).

(K.L. Das)  
DO to IC(BJ) & CPIO

Copy to:-

CPIO, RTI Cell – CIC

(K.L. Das)  
DO to IC(BJ) & CPIO

**Central Information Commission**  
Room No.307, II Floor, B Wing, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New  
Delhi-110066  
website-cic.gov.in

**Appeal No. CIC/MP/A/2014/002531**

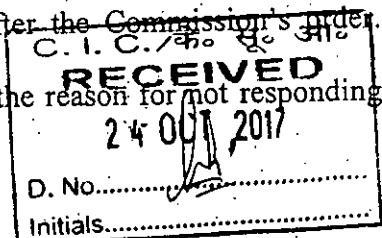
Appellant : Shri Satish Ashok Sherkhane, Mumbai  
Public Authority : India Government Mint, Mumbai  
Date of Hearing : August 03, 2015  
Date of Decision : August 25, 2015  
Date of Show cause Hearing : March 06, 2017  
Date of Order : October 13, 2017

**Present:**

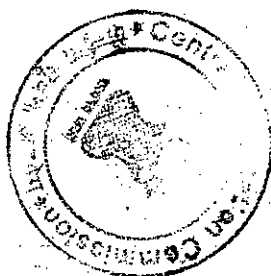
Respondent : Shri V. Balaji, Chief Manager (HR), the then CPIO – at  
CIC

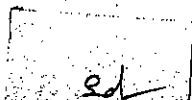
**ADJUNCT ORDER**

1. The Commission vide order dated 25.08.2015 issued a show cause notice to Shri V. Balaji the then CPIO/Chief Manager (HR) asking him to explain reasons as to why penalty under section 20(1) of the RTI Act should not be imposed upon him for not responding to the appellant's RTI application dated 16.08.2014.
2. Shri V. Balaji the then CPIO stated that after the Commission's order dated 25.08.2015 he once again examined the RTI application dated 16.08.2014 and came to the conclusion that the information sought was relating to security aspect of India Government Mint, Mumbai and hence could not be disclosed as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
3. The Commission observes that the then CPIO Shri V. Balaji has not given any explanation to the Commission explaining the reasons as to why penalty should not be imposed on him for not responding to the RTI application dated 16.08.2014 of the appellant. He simply denied the information sought to the appellant after the Commission's order. However, during the hearing held on 03.08.2015 he provided the reason for not responding



the RTI application that they were in process of collecting the information. Now he is denying the information and also has not given any cogent or satisfactory reason for not responding the RTI application dated 16.08.2014. In view of this, the Commission gives the then CPIO Shri V. Balaji one more opportunity to submit his written explanation explaining the reasons as to why penalty should not be imposed on him u/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 for not responding to the appellant to the Commission within two weeks of the receipt of the order of the Commission.



  
(Manjula Prasher)  
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy:

  
Dy Registrar

Copy to:

**Appellant:**

Shri Satish Ashok Sherkhane,  
U.D.C., Administration Section,  
India Government Mint,  
Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Fort,  
Mumbai-400023.

**The Central Public Information Officer**

India Government Mint,  
Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Fort,  
Mumbai-400023