Central Information Commission Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi – 110 067

CIC/AA/A/2020/18 CICOM/A/P/20/00007 CICOM/R/2019/00795

Name of the Appellant:

Sh. Pradeep Bajaj A-45, Nariana Industrial Area, Phase-II, New Delhi – 110 028

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1.	Date of RTI application	22.10.2019
2.	Date of reply of the RTI application	27.11.2019
4.	CPIO (s) who furnished reply	Sh. R. P. Grover, DR, IC-YS
3.	1 st Appeal Date	30.12.2019
5.	Date of Decision	16.01.2020

Brief Facts of the case:-

1. In his RTI application, the appellant by referring his second appeal No. CIC/ADDDM/A/2017/183443, which rehearing was held on 16.10.2019, asked for following information:-

- *a.)* During the proceedings, a written submission on behalf of 3rd party namely Balkar Singh, was filed and therefore, please do provide the 'Certified True' copy of the above said Written Submission, duly signed and stamped.
- b.) Please also supply the 'Certified True' copy of the 'Attendance Sheet' dated 16.10.2019, consisting of attendance of appellant/respondent and third party, duly signed and stamped.

Reply by the CPIO:-

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2. In response to the RTI application, Sh. R. P. Grover, DR, IC-YSprovided point-wise response to the appellant, which are as under:

- a.) Certified copies of the attendance sheet for the hearing on 16.10.2019 in appeal No. CIC/ADDDM/A/2017/183443 is enclosed.
- *b.)* Third Party has submitted the similar submission which was submitted during the hearing on 22.05.2019 and copy of submission has already been provided to you in response to your RTI application dated 20.06.2019.

Ground of First Appeal:-

3. Aggrieved with the information provided by Sh. R. P. Grover, the appellant filed First Appeal on following ground:

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- a.) That Shri R. P. Grover CPIO & Designated Officer (DO) IC-YS, CIC, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi – 110 067, has not applied his judicial mind while sending the reply because it was the responsibility of the CPIO & D) IC-YS to supply the copies of information, in writing, as per the laid-down provision under Section 7(1) of RTI Act, 2005.
- b.) That Shri R. P. Grover CPIO & Designated Officer (DO) IC-YS, CIC,Munirka, New Delhi –67 has not rendered reasonable assistance to the appellant thereby seeking information as per Section 5(3) & (4) of RTI Act, 2005.
- c.) That Shri R. P. Grover CPIO & Designated Officer (DO) IC-YS, CIC, Munirka, New Delhi –67 has not applied his judicial mind while replying, because he (CPIO & DO IC-YS of CIC) has supplied the tampered 'Certified True' copy of the desired document, i.e. 'Attendance Sheet' dated 16.10.2019 thereby deleting the Contact/Mobile nos. of 'Third Party' namely Mr.Balkar Singh and Mr.Mukhtiar Singh.

Whereas, the same was to be expedited as per 'ditto' copy of the Original document as categorically stated in the laid-down provision under Section 2(j)(ii) of RTI Act, 2005.

Therefore, the reasons for deletion of the same are also best known to him (CPIO & DO IC-YS) only.

- d.) That Shri R. P. Grover CPIO & Designated Officer (DO) IC-YS, CIC, Munirka, New Delhi –67 has not applied his judicial mind while replying, because he (CPIO & DO IC-YS) has also not noticed while certifying the said document as 'True Copy' of the Original one since certified 'True Copy' ought to have the same copy of the Original document. And here, on the one hand, it is being stated as 'True Copy' and on the other hand, the same is being supplied as tampered one which itself is a contradictory to each other.
- e.) That it is now evident that Shri R. P. Grover CPIO & DO IC-YS, CIC, Munirka, New Delhi-110 067, has simply done the paper formality thereby furnishing baseless and deceptive reply to the appellant.
- f.) That Shri R. P. Grover CPIO &DO IC-YS, CIC, Munirka, New Delhi 67 has therefore, completely contravened the various provisions of RTI Act.

Comments of CPIO on First Appeal:-

4. For disposal of First Appeal written comments of CPIO were asked by FAA and CPIO, Sh. R.P.Grover,given his comment vide letter No.CIC/AA/A/20/23 dated 16.01.2020, in his written comment he has mentioned that :-

"All the information has been provided as requested in the RTI application, however the mobile numbers of the third party and responded authority was deleted being personal information".

Hearing of Appeal:-

5. Appellant has been heard by FAA on 16.01.2020 over Mobile No. 9811128785 provided by appellant in Appeal application.

Decision with Reason:

6. Considering the first appeal, comments of CPIO and hearing, it is observed that point wise replies provided by Sh R.P.Grover, CPIO is factual and appropriate and no further intervention is required on the part of the FAA, in the matter

7. The appeal is being disposed of accordingly.

8. In case the appellant is aggrieved by the decision, he is free to file second appeal, if he so desires, before the Central Information Commission, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi – 110 067 against this order within 90 days.

Dated 16 January, 2020.

(Y. K. Singhal) First Appellate Authority Tel: 26162290

Copy to:-

1. CPIO, RTI Cell, CIC, New Delhi.

A. 2. Sh. R. P. Grover, CPIO DO to IC-YS, CIC, New Delhi.