

Central Information Commission

Baba Gang Nath Marg, 4th floor, Munirka, New Delhi -110067

Registration No.: CICOM/R/2019/00247/SB Dated: 16.04.2019

Shri Subhash Chandra

Subject: Providing Information under RTI Act-2005.

Sir,

This refers to your RTI application dated 07.03.2019 received by this Registry via online facility RTI MIS on 18.03.2019. In this regard point wise reply is as under: -

Point No. 1

Copy of the petition dated 27.12.2018 of S.D. Kamble (Advocate) requested by you is originated from yourself, you are not within your right to seek the same. In this connection, your attention is drawn to paragraph 6 and 7 of the Commission's order dated 5.12.2006 passed in *file No. CIC/AT/A/2006/00411 in the case of G.P.S Rana Vs Delhi Police*. The Commission decided as under:

"6. A perusal of the original information sought by the appellant from the CPIO reveal that items 1 to 9 and items 16 to 18 pertained to copies of the appellant's own letters written to the public authority, in this case the Delhi Police. The AA concluded that since the information requested by the appellant originated from the appellant himself, he was not within his right to seek the same from the public authority.

7. The contention of the AA is upheld. The purpose of the RTI Act is to allow access to a citizen to information held by a public authority. The key element is provision of information. Insofar as an information is held by a citizen himself, it must be construed that he already had access to such information and his seeking the same from a public authority is a wholly infructuous exercise. In such cases, it should suffice if the public authority intimates to the appellant whether or not his/her letters/petitions had been received by that public authority and the dates thereof. If he wants to have copies of his own letters written to the public authority, he better look up his own records. In all such cases, the key information to be transmitted to an information-seeker, when such information pertains to the copies of letters he himself might have written to public authority, is that the public authority was or was not in possession of those letters/petitions. The public authority has no obligation beyond supplying the above-mentioned information to the information-seeker."

Point No. 2

No Reply Given to Shri S.D. Kamble (Advocate)

Point No. 3

The Decision dated 08.04.2019 on the petition dated 27.12.2018 has been sent to you by speed post on 15.04.2019. (File No. CIC/DOLAF/A/2017/317344)

Point No. 4

No Correspondence has been taken place after petition dated 27.12.2018 except Commission's order dated 08.04.2019. (Copy Enclosed)

Point No. 5

Please refer the point no. 1.

In case, you are not satisfied with the above reply you can file an appeal, within 30 days from the date of receipt of this letter to: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singh, Additional Secretary & First Appellate Authority, Room No. 502, 5th Floor, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi -110067

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