

**CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION**

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

**Decision No. CIC/SB/A/2015/000061**

**Dated 20.09.2016**

**Appellant** : Shri Vishveshwar Nadola,  
Maali Thaliya Ka Baas,  
Behind Hotel City Palace,  
Nai Sadak, Jodhpur.

**Respondent** : Central Public Information Officer,  
Ministry of Minority Affairs,  
Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex,  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003.

**Date of Hearing** : 20.09.2016

**Relevant dates emerging from the appeal:**

RTI application filed on : 07.01.2015

CPIO's reply : 23.01.2015

First appeal filed on : 21.02.2015

FAA's order : 21.05.2015

Second Appeal filed on : 16.06.2015

**ORDER**

1. Shri Vishveshwar Nadola filed an application dated 07.01.2015 under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act) before the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), Prime Minister's Office (PMO) seeking information on six points pertaining to the Wakf Act, 1995. The CPIO, PMO vide letter dated 16.01.2015 transferred the RTI application to Ministry of Minority Affairs

(MMA). The CPIO, MMA vide letter dated 23.01.2015 transferred the RTI application to the CPIO, Rajasthan Wakf Board, Jaipur.

2. The appellant filed the second appeal dated 16.06.2015 before the Commission on the grounds that he has not been provided any information.

**Hearing:**

3. The appellant Shri Vishveshwar Nadola was not present despite notice. The respondent Shri Pradeep Kumar, Under Secretary, MMA was present in person.

4. The respondent submitted that the information sought by the appellant pertains to the Rajasthan Waqf Board which is under the administrative control of the State Government of Rajasthan and therefore, the RTI application was transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act to the State Government of Rajasthan vide letter dated 23.01.2015. The respondent further submitted that no first appeal in the matter was received with the respondent office.

**Decision:**

5. The Commission, after hearing the respondent and perusing the records, observes that the information sought relates to the Rajasthan Waqf Board and therefore, the RTI application was rightly transferred to the State Government of Rajasthan. Therefore, the matter is beyond the jurisdiction of the Commission. Hence, no action on part of the Commission is warranted.

6. With the above observation, the appeal is disposed of.

7. Copy of decision be given free of cost to the parties.

**(Sudhir Bhargava)**  
**Information Commissioner**

**Authenticated true copy**

**(V.K. Sharma)**  
**Designated Officer**