

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

(Room No.315, B-Wing, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi 110 066)

Prof. M. Sridhar Acharyulu (Madabhushi Sridhar)

Central Information Commissioner

CIC/CC/A/2014/000114-SA

Mohit Sahu v. PIO, Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur

Important Dates and time taken:

RTI: 18.11.2013	Reply: 30.12.2013	FAO: 20.03.2014
SA: 28.08.2014	Hearing: 20.09.2016	Decided on: 20.09.2016
Result: Disposed of.		

Parties Present:

1. Appellant: Present.
Public authority: Present.

FACTS:

2. The appellant filed RTI Application seeking information pertaining to amount spent for purchase of glassware by Matushri trading Co., Bilaspur for pharmacy use etc. CPIO stated that sought information sought is not available as it is not traceable. FAA directed PIO-finance to trace the file and to provide information. Appellant filed second appeal before this Commission.

Decision :

3. The appellant has to get dues from the University amounting to Rs. 4 lakh for sale of some chemicals. He stated that the university claims that payment will be made only when the files are traced. The Commission cannot accept the claim of **missing file**, which is illegal and also a crime under Public Records Act. The PIO did not give any information regarding their efforts to trace the files. Hence, commission assumes that the public authority was negligent or motivated by some another interests in losing the files. The Commission directs

CPIO to provide detailed information in compliance with the orders of FAA along with the reasons for non payment of dues up to Rs. 4 lakh to the appellant who supplied the material in 2010, within 30 days from date of receipt of this order. The Commission also directs CPIO to show-cause why penalty should not be imposed upon him for not providing information to the appellant, and also explain why public authority should not be directed to pay compensation to the appellant, within 15 days from date of receipt of this order. The appellant, PIO and store keeper are directed to submit their claims in form of affidavit, within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order.

(M. Sridhar Acharyulu)
Central Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(Dinesh Kumar)
Deputy Registrar

Copy of decision given to the parties free of cost.

Addresses of the parties:

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