

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION
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Appeal No. CIC/VS/A/2015/000126

Appellant: Mrs. Vinod Sharma
H/o Raja Ram Sharma, Takiya Road,
Ambikapur, Distt. Sarguja, Chhattisgarh.

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
Under Secy. M/o External Affairs
Room no. 2019, 23-D, Jawaharlal
Nehru Bhawan, Janpath, New Delhi-110001.

Date of Hearing: 27.02.2017

Dated of Decision: 27.02.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 02.01.2014 seeking information regarding citizenship status of people of Iranian origin in India.
2. The response of CPIO is not on record. The appellant filed first appeal dated 12.02.2014. The FAA responded on 10.03.2014. The appellant filed second appeal on 07.11.2014 before the Commission on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. The appellant could not be connected through video conferencing or phone. The respondent participated in the hearing through counsel in person.
4. The respondent stated that the RTI fee sent by the appellant through IPO dated 31.03.2014 mentioned in his letter dated 16.05.2014 has not been received, therefore they have not replied to his RTI.
5. The respondent further stated that they have communicated to the appellant about not having received the RTI fee vide letter dated 21.05.2014.

Discussion/ observation:

6. This is ex-facie apparent from the letter dated 21.05.2014 that due to non-receipt of the RTI fee as sent by the appellant through IPO dated 31.03.2014, the respondents have denied the sought information.

7. The action/steps taken by the respondent in dealing with the RTI application is satisfactory.

Decision:

8. No further intervention of the Commission is required in the matter.

The appeal is disposed of. Copy of the order be given to the parties free of cost.

(Radha Krishna Mathur)
Chief Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(S.C. Sharma)
Dy. Registrar