

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Complaint No. CIC/RK/C/2016/000144

Complainant: Mr. V K Gupta
R/o. B-62, Parijat Aptt., West Enclave, Pitampura,
Delhi-110034, (9953635377).

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
P.M Office, South Block, New Delhi-110011

Date of Hearing: 07.9.2016
Dated of Decision: 07.09.2016

ORDER

Facts:

1. The complainant filed RTI application dated 26.12.2015 seeking certified copy of the notes in PMO bearing approval of Hon'ble PM conveyed by the PMO ID Note No. 600/58/C/23/2013- ES.2 dated 01-07-2013 from Sh. Dheeraj Gupta, JS to Sec, DoPT.
2. The CPIO responded on 03.02.2016, 31.03.2016. The complainant filed first appeal on 03.03.2016 with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). The FAA response is not on record. The Complainant filed a Complaint on 22.04.2016 before the Commission with the plea that the sought for information has not been provided to him.
3. The complainant through email dated 03.09.2016 has submitted his written submissions that the conduct of the CPIO in PMO is against the RTI Act. Therefore, deserves to be panelised suitably.

Hearing:

4. The complainant and the respondent both participated in the hearing.
5. The complainant stated that respondent transferred his application to the Department of Personnel & Training. The respondent stated that the transfer of the application to the DoPT is not correct because the sought for information is in the custody of the Prime Minister Office. The complainant

stated that he had obtained a copy of the I.D. Note No. 600/58/C/23/2013-Es.2 dated 01.07.2013 from the DoPT. The complainant stated that he has sought a copy of the notes bearing signature/approval of the Prime Minister on the basis which the aforesaid ID note was conveyed.

6. The respondent stated that the complainant vide letter dated 03.02.2016 was informed that his RTI application dated 26.12.2015 has been transferred to the Department of Personnel & Training for taking action as appropriate. The respondent stated that the aforesaid application was returned by the DoPT vide letter dated 06.07.2016 has been re-transferred to them on 05.09.2016. The respondent stated that the custodian of the record is the DoPT. The respondent stated that single file system was adopted in the PMO. The respondent stated that after the action on the file, the file has been returned to the DoPT with aforesaid ID Note dated 01.07.2013.

7. The respondent stated that the first appellate authority vide its order dated 22.04.2016 had disposed of the first appeal and in compliance of the FAA's order, the complainant has been informed that his appeal has been transferred to the DoPT and he was advised to approach the said Public Authority for further information in the matter.

Discussion/ observation:

8. The action/steps taken by the respondent in dealing with the RTI application is satisfactory. No malafide appears involved in the action taken by CPIO.

Decision:

9. No action is required in the matter at the level of this Commission.

The complaint is disposed of. A 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