

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

2nd Floor, August Kranti Bhawan,
Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi-110066

Decision No. CIC/SB/A/2015/000246

Dated 21.11.2016

Appellant : ShriPathan Azimasha Rahimkhan,
Pathanka Peetha, Dadibibi Masjid,
Jamalpur, Near Piraanpirki Dargah,
Ahmedabad-370 001, Gujarat.

Respondent : Central Public Information Officer,
National Fire Service College,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
Civil Lines, Palm Road
Nagpur 440001.

Date of Hearing : 21.11.2016

Relevant dates emerging from the appeal:

RTI application filed on : 14.02.2015

CPIO's reply : 09.04.2015

First appeal filed on : 30.03.2015

Second appeal filed on : 24.07.2015

ORDER

1. ShriPathan Azimasha Rahimkhan filed an application dated 14.02.2015 under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act) before the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), National Fire Service College, Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) seeking information on two points pertaining to the correspondence done with Shri Sabaria Manojkumar Devkaran relating to Sub Fire Course Batch No.35.

2. The appellant filed a second appeal dated 16.07.2015 before the Commission on the grounds that he has been denied information under the provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act.

Hearing:

3. The appellant ShriPathan Azimasha Rahimkhan attended the hearing through video conferencing. The respondent was not present despite notice.

4. The appellant submitted that complete information was not provided to him by the respondent.

Decision:

5. The Commission took a serious view of the absence of the CPIO despite notice. The Commission directs the CPIO to submit a written statement before the Commission, explaining his absence, along with the comments of First Appellate Authority, before 30.12.2016 both by post and through e-mail at do.icsb-cic@gov.in.

6. The matter is adjourned to **13.01.2017 at 1.15 pm**. It may be noted that this is the last chance provided to the CPIO/other officer(s) and that no further adjournment would be allowed and the matter will be decided on the basis of available records.

7. With the above observations, the appeal is disposed of.

8. Copy of the decision be provided free of cost to the parties.

(Sudhir Bhargava)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(V.K. Sharma)
Designated Officer