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Appellant: Anil Kumar Gupta,
514, Kailash Nagar,
Ghaziabad-201009, U.P.

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
Sr. Supdt., Deptt. of Posts,
O/o Supdt. of Post offices,
Ghaziabad Division, Ghaziabad-201002.

Date of Hearing: 25.04.2017

Dated of Decision: 25.04.2017

ORDER

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Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 17.10.2015 seeking information on 5 points regarding the official deputed to work at the counter no. 2 of the GPO as on 16.10.2015 viz. (i) Name, designation and the educational qualifications, (ii) Details of the work performed by her during the period 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM, (iii) Whether she is a trained computer operator, (iv) Details of her annual income in the past 5 years etc.

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2. The appellant filed RTI application dated 17.10.2015 seeking information on 5 points regarding the official deputed to work at the counter no. 1 of the GPO as on 16.10.2015 viz. (i) Name and designation, (ii) Working Period, (iii) Whether she is a trained computer operator, (iv) Whether the official is authorized for public dealing beyond the counter etc.

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3. The appellant filed RTI application dated 17.10.2015 seeking information on 5 points regarding the Asst. Post Master (APM) working in the GPO as on 16.10.2015 and the officials deputed to work at the counters of the GPO viz. (i) Name and designation of the APM, (ii) Service Period of the APM, (iii) Whether APM is authorized to issue orders to the officials working at the counters, particularly after 4 PM beyond the office hours etc.

4. The CPIO responded on 02.11.2015. The appellant filed first appeals dated 06.11.2015. The FAA responded on 01.12.2015. The appellant filed second appeals on 12.01.2016 before the Commission on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

5. Both the parties participated in the hearing in person. They agreed to hearing of these three cases together, as the subject matter is similar in nature.

6. The appellant stated that the respondent has wrongly denied him the sought for information on the premise of not being covered under the definition of 'information' under Section 2(f) of the RTI Act. He further alleged that the postal officials seemed to work more with the 'agents' particularly after 4 PM and do not pay much attention to the persons standing in long queues on their counter. He also stated that the names of the postal officials should be displayed at their place of working (counters).

7. The respondent stated that some information is in the form of query. Therefore, they have denied the sought for information. He further stated that the information relating to the rule position of overtime duty, name and designation of the postal officials, working hours of the post office, the proof of the trainings undergone by the postal officials and property details of the postal officials will be given to the appellant.

Discussion/ observation:

8. The respondent should provide to the appellant the information relating to the rule position of overtime duty, name and designation of the postal officials, working hours of the post office, the proof of the trainings undergone

by the postal officials and the property details of the postal officials, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Decision:

9. The respondent is directed to take action as per para 8 above.

10. The Superintendent of Post Offices is advised to look into the allegations made in para 6 for appropriate action.

The appeals are 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