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Appeal No.CIC/KY/A/2016/000775

Appellant: Mohit Sharma
A-65 Plot No. 14, Kamla Park, Najafgarh New
Delhi-43

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
RPO, M/o External Affairs, Hudco Tricoot-III,
Bhikaji Cama Place, RK Puram, New Delhi-
110066

Date of Hearing: 24.03.2017
Date of Decision: 24.03.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 19.09.2015 seeking information regarding issue of a new passport to Mrs. Arti Sharma etc.
2. The CPIO responded on 28.09.2015. The appellant filed first appeal dated 19.10.2015 before the first appellate authority (FAA).The FAA response is not on record. The appellant filed second appeal to the Commission on 02.05.2016 on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. The appellant and the respondent participated in the hearing personally.
4. The appellant stated that he sought for information related to his wife Mrs. Arti Sharma's passport and her passport application. The appellant stated that his wife has filed a fake/false complaint against him. The appellant stated that his wife submitted false documents related to her date of birth and address proof etc.to the passport authorities. The appellant stated that he has also filed complaint in this regard before the passport authorities but no action taken has

been informed to him. The appellant stated that he has been denied information as the information pertains to third party. The appellant stated that the act of his wife is punishable under Passport Act and the sought for information cannot be denied to the Parliament. The appellant stated that therefore, it is a matter of public interest.

5. The respondent stated that the appellant has been informed that the sought for information cannot be provided to him under section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act as it is third party information and the disclosure of same would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of the individual.

Discussion/ observation:

6. In the instant matter, no larger public interest involved.

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

Decision:

8. The Commission's intervention is not required in the matter.

9. The respondent is advised to look into the complaint of the appellant regarding incorrect issue of the passport to his wife and take appropriate action within 30 days of this order.

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