

Central Information Commission, New Delhi
File No. CIC/SH/A/2016/000009
File No. CIC/SH/A/2016/000010
Right to Information Act-2005-Under Section (19)

Date of hearing : 15th February 2017

Date of decision : 15th February 2017

Name of the Appellant : **SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR**
S/O. SHRI MOHAN KUMAR, C-43,
SURYA NAGAR, GHAZIABAD,
UP-201011

Name of the Public Authority/Respondent :1. **CENTRAL PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER,**
ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE
REGIONAL OFFICE, GURGAON, PLOT
NO: -80, INSTITUTIONAL AREA,
SECTOR-44, GURGAON,
HARYANA-122003

2. **CENTRAL PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER,**
ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE
REGIONAL OFFICE: NEW DELHI,
HARSHA BHAWAN, E-BLOCK,
CONNAUGHT PLACE, NEW DELHI-110001

The Appellant was present in person.

On behalf of the Respondents, Shri Swaroop Singh, Chief Manager was present in person.

Information Commissioner : **Shri Sharat Sabharwal**

These files contain appeals in respect of two RTI applications, both dated 14.9.2015, filed by the Appellant to the Gurgaon and New Delhi Regional Offices of the bank. The information sought was copies of valuation report of properties obtained in the accounts with the bank wherein credit facility (like business loan / commercial loan / trade loan or overdraft against property / any other type of loan) has been granted and property mortgaged during the period 1.4.2003 to 31.3.2008. The Appellant stated in the applications that while providing the information, the Respondents might withhold the information relating to the name of the borrower,

address, amount of loan, account number etc. He further stated that his purpose in seeking such information was to arrive at applicable prevalent market rates of property during the above period. As an alternative, the Appellant asked the Respondents to provide information in respect of any ten properties mortgaged to the bank in a table of nine columns prepared by him, seeking information such as the name of the locality, area of the property, date of valuation, land rate adopted in valuation report, total value of land, whether residential / commercial / industrial and remarks etc. It was denied by the Respondents in both the cases. Not satisfied with the response of the Respondents, the Appellant has approached the CIC in second appeal in both the cases.

2. The Respondents reiterated their decision to deny the information under Section 8 (1) (d), (e) and (j) of the RTI Act. The Appellant stated that he has not sought any information that can be regarded as information pertaining to third parties and prayed for furnishing of the information sought by him. We have examined the submissions of both the parties. For the reasons stated in our order No. CIC/BKOBDA/2016/310715 and CIC/BKOBDA/2016/310713 dated 15.2.2017, we uphold the decision of the Respondents to deny the information in response to the above mentioned RTI applications.

3. With the above observations, the two appeals are disposed of.

4. Copies of this order be given free of cost to the parties.

Sd/-
(Sharat Sabharwal)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPIO of this Commission.

(Vijay Bhalla)
Deputy Registrar