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Appeal No. CIC/VS/A/2015/001039

Appellant: Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh
O/o Chief Office Supdt. (TRD), E.C. Rly, Danapur,
DRM, Office, PO- Khagaul, Patna-801105
(9771461510)

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
M/o Rly, Sr. DPO, East Central Rly,
Danapur, DRM Office, PO- Khagaul, Patna
801105, Bihar

Date of Hearing: 02.11.2016
Dated of Decision: 02.11.2016

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 04.12.2014 seeking information on 3 points viz. (i) copy of Book of Sanction from 2001 , (ii) dates of promotion of various employees to the scale of 5500-9000/- and 6500-10500/- conforming to the sanctioned strength (iii) Copy of sanctioned post in respect of ministerial and technical category posts in Electrical (TRD).
2. The CPIO responded on 13.03.2014. The appellant filed first appeal on 19.01.2015 with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). The FAA response is not on record. The appellant filed second appeal on 15.04.2015 before the Commission with the plea that the sought for information has not been provided to him.

Hearing:

3. The appellant and the respondent both participated in the hearing.

4. The appellant stated that he has not been provided complete information. The appellant stated the he has been provided book of sanction from 2007 to 2013 but for the period from 2001 to 2006 has not been provided to him.

5. The respondent stated that the available information has been provided to him. The respondent stated that the appellant may inspect the record and may take copy of pertinent documents. On query, the respondent informed that the retention period of such documents is 10 years. Hence, the respondent should have produced documents from 2014 onwards and proof of destruction of prior documents. However, none of this is actually available with respondent. The respondent informed that they will take necessary disciplinary /follow up action in the matter.

Discussion/ observation:

6. The sought for information should have been provided to the appellant.

Decision:

7. Respondent is directed to facilitate inspection of the record to the appellant on mutually fixed date and provide copy of pertinent documents within 30 days of this order.

8. Further, the respondent is directed to take appropriate measures including disciplinary action with regard to missing documents. A compliance report shall be submitted by respondent within 45 days.

The appeal 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