

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

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File No. CIC/KY/A/2016/001169

Appellant : Ms. Maya Kaushal Soni
W/o. Lt. J P Kaushal, I-186,
Gujaini, Kanpur Nagar, Uttar Pradesh

Public Authority : The Dy. Director (RTI) & CPIO
M/o. Textiles, O/o. the Dev. Commissioner (H),
West Block-7, R K Puram, New Delhi-110066

The Director
M/o. Textiles, O&M Section
UdyogBhawan, New Delhi-110001

The CPIO
British India Corporation Limited
14/66, Mall Road, Civil Lines, Permat, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh -208001

Date of Hearing : 21.09.2016

Date of Decision : 21.09.2016

Presence:

Appellant : Absent
CPIO : Shri Anil Kumar Mishra, Dy. CVO & CPIO

FACTS:

- I. Vide RTI application dated **14.12.2015 & 18.03.2016**, the Appellant sought information on **7 issues**.
- II. CPIO, response is not on record.
- III. The First Appeal (FA) was filed on **02.06.2016**, as desired information not provided.
- IV. First Appellate Authority (FAA), order is not on record.
- V. Grounds for the Second Appeal filed on **25.06.2016**, are contained in the Memorandum of Second Appeal.

HEARING

Appellant opted to be absent despite of our due notice to him. Respondents appeared before the Commission personally and made the submissions at length.

DECISION

It is pertinent to mention here that the appellant, vide his RTI Applications dated **14.12.2015 & 18.03.2016**, sought information from the respondents on the issues as contained therein. However, respondents **failed to furnish** any response to the appellant. Being aggrieved with the aforesaid PIO's **inaction**, appellant filed his FA on **02.06.2016** before FAA, who **could not take up** the same for its disposal **for the reasons best known to him**. Hence, a Second Appeal before this Commission.

2. The Commissioner heard the submissions made by respondents at length. The Commission also **perused** the case-file **thoroughly**; specifically, **nature of issues** raised by the appellant in his RTI applications dated **14.12.2015 & 18.03.2016**, other material made available on record and also the grounds of memorandum of second appeal.
3. The Commission is of the considered view that the appellant has been **deprived** by the respondents **deliberately** from having the benefits of the RTI Act 2005, **even after lapse of more than nine months period**. Thus, the respondents **have defeated the very purpose** of the RTI Act 2005 for which it was legislated by Parliament of India. As such, the Commission feels that it would be appropriate and even justified to allow the appellant's **second appeal in toto instead of remanding back to learned FAA for disposal of FA which is even more time consuming**. Therefore, it is allowed in toto.
4. In view of the above, the respondents are hereby directed to provide the **complete & categorical** information, **issue-wise**, to the appellant as per his RTI application, **in accordance with the provisions of RTI Act 2005** (if not already provided), within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order under intimation to this Commission. **If need be, Section 5(4) of the RTI Act 2005 may also be invoked in the matter.**

The Appeal is disposed of accordingly.

Sd/-

(M.A. Khan Yusufi)

Information Commissioner

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(Krishan Avtar Talwar)

Deputy Secretary

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