

**CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION**

**Club building, Opposite Ber Sarai Market, Old JNU Campus, New Delhi- 110067.**

**Tel: 011 - 26182593/26182594**

**Email: registrycab@gmail.com**

**File No : CIC/CC/A/2014/002701-AB**

**In the matter of:**

Mr Sanjeev Sharma Wg. Cdr (Retd)  
2149, Jalvayu Vihar, Sec-67,  
Mohali-160062.

...Appellant

Vs.

Central Public information Officer  
Indian Air Force  
HQ Maintenance Command, IAF, Nagpur  
Vayusena Nagar-440007.

..Respondent

	Dates
RTI application	: 01.08.2014
CPIO reply	: 17.09.2014
First Appeal	: 27.09.2014
FAA Order	: 30.10.2014
Second Appeal	: 12.11.2014
Date of hearing	: 13.07.2016

**Information sought:**

The appellant had sought income and expenditure statement of 31 MCU CSD Canteen from 1 Dec 13 to 30 Jun 14, along with policies and file notings.

**Grounds for Second Appeal**

The CPIO did not provide the desired information.

## **Interim Order**

Appellant : Present.

Respondent : Sqdrn.leader Vishal Chopra.

The appellant stated that the information sought by him involves larger public interest.

The respondent contended that the appellant is in the habit of filing large number of RTI applications with the intention of harassing the public authority. The respondent also relied on a decision of CIC in File no.CIC/LS/A/2011/001848 etc. dated 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 in this regard.

The respondent submitted that the present subject matter was also dealt with in the abovementioned order of the CIC. On a query by the Commission on the status of CSD Canteen, the CPIO stated that the CSD canteen has Unit Run Canteens and it is not a public authority, Unit Run Canteens staff are appointed from local areas, and no Government official is working there. Government officers have only supervisory powers upon the canteens. He further stated that while CSD canteens are bulk suppliers of goods in the Defence Forces and Unit Run Canteens are in every unit & are in the nature of retail outlets in the Defence units.

On perusal of record it is seen that the issue that Unit Run Canteens are covered under the purview of Sec 2(h) of the RTI Act or not is pending before a Division bench of the Commission in the File no. CIC/LS/A/2012/000665, CIC/LS/A/2013/001914, CIC/RM/A/2013/001287.

The Order is reserved till the final disposal of the above case.

**[Amitava Bhattacharyya]**  
**Information Commissioner**

Authenticated true copy

(A.K.Talapatra)  
Dy. Registrar