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No.CIC/VS/A/2015/000051

Appellant: Mohd. Sajjad
5-189/1, Noor Bagah, Roza Police Station Road
Roza (B) Gulbarga -585104, Karnataka

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
Under Secretary (RTI) M/o E.A, 23-D, Room No.
2021-A, Wing, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan,
Janpath New Delhi-110001

Date of Hearing: 20.02.2017
Date of Decision: 20.02.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 25.08.2014 seeking information on 12 points regarding status of Passport No. G-4320548 and note sheet in the subject matter etc.
2. The CPIO responded on 11.09.2014, 27.10.2014. The appellant filed first appeal dated 05.11.2014 before the first appellate authority (FAA). The FAA response is not on record. The appellant filed second appeal to the Commission on 24.12.2014 on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. The appellant and the respondent participated in the hearing.
4. The appellant stated that he has not been provided the desired information. The appellant stated that his passport was impounded due to

mistake whereby his passport was listed as a lost passport. The appellant stated that on a fresh application, he has been issued new passport. The appellant stated that he wants to know the status of his old passport and file notings, if any in the matter.

5. The respondent stated that the appellant's passport was mistakenly impounded due to a typographical error in the passport number. The respondent stated that a valid passport has already been supplied to the appellant. The respondent stated that after impounding of the passport, a new passport is issued. The respondent stated that in reply to the RTI application, a clarification regarding impounding of the passport has been furnished to the appellant.

6. The appellant stated that his passport was impounded on 02.11.2013 and the new passport was issued on 16.09.2015. The appellant stated that due to this, he suffered losses, and therefore, he should be given compensation.

7. The respondent stated that compensating the loss due to impounding of the passport is beyond the purview of the RTI Act.

Discussion/ observation:

8. Pointwise response to the RTI application with regard to appellant's passport should have been furnished to him as per the provisions of the RTI Act. The respondent has merely provided certain factual information.

Decision:

9. The respondent is directed to provide information, as stated in para 8 above, to the appellant within 15 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