

Central Information Commission, New Delhi
File No. CIC/MP/C/2015/000061/DOFSR/SH
Right to Information Act-2005-Under Section (18)

Date of hearing : 20th June 2017

Date of decision : 20th June 2017

Name of the Complainant : SHRI T. K. THANKACHAN

Name of the Public Authority/Respondent : **CENTRAL PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER,
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS
ROOM NO.- 241-E, (CURRENCY & COINAGE
DIVISION) NORTH BLOCK,
NEW DELHI -110001**

RTI Application filed on : 16/09/2014

CPIO replied on : —

First Appeal filed on : —

First Appellate Authority order on : —

Complaint received on : 16/01/2015

The Complainant was not present.

On behalf of the Respondents, Ms. Shoba Basil, Under Secretary was present in person.

Information Commissioner : **Shri Sharat Sabharwal**

Information sought

This matter concerns an RTI application filed by the Complainant, seeking information on nine points regarding a high level committee constituted by Government of India to study the international best practices in cash/currency distribution by Central Banks, details of members, report submitted by the committee, implementation of the report, number of public counters closed down in RBI on the recommendation of the Committee and related issues.

The CPIO reply

No reply given.

Grounds of complaint to the CIC

Information sought not provided.

Relevant facts emerging during the Hearing, Discussion and Decision

The Respondents stated that the RTI application dated 16.9.2014 does not figure on their records. They received its copy with the Commission's notice for the hearing and a point-wise reply has been sent by the CPIO of the C&C Division, Department of Economic Affairs on 17.4.2017. They further submitted that three queries of the application have been transferred to the concerned authorities for providing available information- points No. 6 and 8 to the RBI and point No. 9 to the Currency Section of the Department of Economic Affairs. The Complainant was not present, in spite of a written notice having been sent to him, to substantiate his complaint.

2. In the light of the submissions made by the Respondents, further enquiry into this complaint is not considered necessary. However, the Complainant shall be at liberty to pursue the appeals process under Section 19 of the RTI Act, in case he is not satisfied with the reply dated 17.4.2017 of the CPIO.
3. With the above observations, the complaint is 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

