## OFFICE OF THE FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY (Appointed under the Right to Information Act, 2005) The Institute of Company Secretaries of India ICSI House C-36, Sector-62, Institutional Area

Noida - 201 309 (U.P.)

## Appeal No.00030/2024

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ms. Ruchitha Shri Balaji PG for ladies 2nd cross sg palya Venkateshwara layout Bangalore 560029

Appellant

Vs.

Central Public Information Officer (EXAM) The Institute of Company Secretaries of India C-37, Sector 62, NOIDA- 201309

Respondent

Date of Order: 4th April, 2024

## **ORDER**

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/24/00030 on 14.03.2024 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref No. ICSOI/R/E/24/06740 dated 14.03.2024 against the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
  - (2) The Appellant vide her application dated 09.03.2024 has requested to provide scanned certified copies of CS Executive Dec 2023 examination for the subjects: 1: JIGL paper 2: company law paper 3: SBEC.
- (3) The Appellant has informed in the instant appeal that "Refused access to information requested".
- (4) The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

"It is submitted that the requisite information as sought by the Applicant (Appellant hereinafter) in her RTI Application ICSOI/R/E/24/06740 dated 09.03.2024, is in public domain and freely available without any cost at link https://cc.icsi.edu.

Further, the Appellant was informed about the said link and the procedure to fetch the information in response to her above mentioned RTI Application vide letter dated 14.03.2024(copy of letter enclosed). An announcement in this regard has also been published on the website of the Institute (copy of announcement attached).

Furthermore, in the instant Appeal the Appellant sought her certified copies of Answer Books once again. However, this is to inform that the certified copies were to be provided to the Appellant through the portal only after registration at link https://cc.icsi.edu which has not been done by the Appellant.

The contents as above made in the RTI reply stands as it is and are candid".

(5) This Office has carefully considered the application, the response, the appeal and the records made available and finds that the matter can be decided based on the material available on record.

The requisite information as sought by the Applicant was freely available in public domain without any cost at link <a href="https://cc.icsi.edu">https://cc.icsi.edu</a> as intimated by CPIO EXAM to the appellant vide communication dated 14.03.2024.

However, it seems that the Appellant has not registered on the link as informed by CPIO EXAM. Therefore, the Appellant may view the requisite information as informed by CPIO (EXAM) and if required may again seek support from CPIO EXAM at the email id cpioexam@icsi.edu.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Sonia Baijal)
First Appellate Authority

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- 3. Directorate of IT For publishing on the website