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. 285/2023

IN THE MATTER OF:

Yashika Prajapati H No. 16, Kadipur, Kushak No.1 Delhi- 110036 **Appellant**

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 17 May, 2023

ORDER

- The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/23/00285 on 29.04.2023 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref. No. ICSOI/R/E/23/10130 dated 18.04.2023 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 20.03.2023 has requested to provide the certified copies of answer sheets of CS Program examination, Session: December 2021 for the subjects: 1. JIGL -421, 2. CL-422, 3. SBEC-423, 4. TL-424
- 3. The Appellant has informed in the instant appeals that "Refused access to Information Requested".
- 4. The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

It is submitted that the information sought was the Answer Books of the Applicant (Appellant hereinabove) in respect of her appearance in CS Examination, December 2021 session, and that the Answer Books of the CS Examination, December 2021 have been disposed of in accordance with the Record Retention Schedule of Directorate of Examinations, ICSI and hence, the same cannot be provided.

Record Retention schedule of the Institute is in public domain and available at Institute's website www.icsi.edu.

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.

6. This Office concurs with the submission of the Respondent. Respondent has informed the Appellant on 18.03.2023 about disposal of his answer books of December, 2021 examination as per the record retention schedule of The Directorate of Examinations, ICSI. Further, Record Retention schedule of the Institute is in public domain and available at Institute's website www.icsi.edu.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Ankur Yadav)
First Appellate Authority

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- 3. Directorate of IT For publishing on the website