

**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.376/2023**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Shri Deepak Suresh Kala  
C 36 Nath nagar , near new Balaji Nagar  
Aurangabd-431001

Appellant

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2023

**ORDER**

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/23/00376 on 26.09.2023 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref No. ICSOI/R/E/23/12591 dated 09.09.2023 against the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide his application dated 25.08.2023 has requested to provide the certified copies of answer sheets for CS Professional Examination held in June 2023 for the subjects: Corporate Funding and Listing in Stock Exchanges ;Multidisciplinary Case Studies and Insolvency Law and Practice.
- (3) The Appellant has informed in the instant appeal that “Provided Incomplete, Misleading or False Information”.
- (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 his RTI Application ICSOI/R/E/23/12591 dated 25.08.2023, was made available 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 his above mentioned RTI Application vide letter dated 09.09.2023(copy of letter enclosed). An announcement in this regard has also been published on the website of the Institute (copy of announcement attached).

Furthermore, the technical problem faced by the Appellant was resolved and the Appellant was able to view the Scanned copies of the Answer books of subject "Multi-disciplinary Case Studies" soon after the technical issue was fixed. (Screenshot of portal attached).

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 Appellant was freely available in public domain without any cost at Link <https://cc.icsi.edu> as intimated by CPIO EXAM to the appellant vide communication dated 09.09.2023.

Further, CPIO EXAM has substantiated that Appellant has already accessed the required information through the above-mentioned portal after fixing of technical issue.

However, if the Appellant has not been able to see the copies online, the Appellant may approach Respondent within 05 days of issue of this Order. In such case, Respondent is directed to provide the requisite support to the Appellant within 07 days of being approached.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Sonia Baijal)

First Appellate Authority

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