

**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.402/2023**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ms. Divya Agarwal  
Luhadia Sadan Ki Gali , Jaipur Road  
Kishangarh

Appellant

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023

**ORDER**

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/23/00402 on 04.10.2023 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref No. ICSOI/R/E/23/00184 dated 28.09.2023 against the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide her application dated 06.09.2023 has requested to provide the photo copy of answer book CS Professional Examination held in June 2023 for the subjects:  
Subject 01 :Governance, Risk Management, Compliances and Ethics 02 :Secretarial Audit, Compliance Management and Due Diligence 03 :Corporate Funding and Listing in Stock Exchanges 04 : Advanced Tax Laws 05 : Corporate Restructuring, Insolvency, Liquidation and Winding-Up 06 : Multidisciplinary Case Studies 07 : Drafting, Pleadings and Appearances 08 : Resolution of Corporate Disputes, Non-Compliances and Remedies 09 : 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 her RTI Application ICSOI/R/T/23/00184 dated 06.09.2023, was made available in public domain and was 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 sought information vide letter dated 28.09.2023(copy of letter enclosed). An announcement in this regard has also been published on the website of the Institute (copy of announcement attached).

Furthermore, it is to inform that Appellant has already accessed the required information through the above mentioned portal (screenshot attached).

However, the scanned copy of one of the subjects namely "Advanced Tax Laws" could not be provided due to some technical problems and it shall be provided once the technical issue is resolved.

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) 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 28.09.2023.

Further, CPIO EXAM has substantiated that Appellant has already accessed the required information through the above-mentioned portal except for one subject which is pending due to technical problems.

However, if the Appellant has still any issues, 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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