

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.448/2023

IN THE MATTER OF:

Sh Pankaj
05, Rao Mohalla, Surehera Village,
Najafgarh,
South West Delhi, Pin:110043

Appellant

Vs.

Central Public Information Officer
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
ICSI House 22, Institutional Area, Lodi Road
New Delhi - 110 003

Respondent

Date of Order: 22nd November, 2023

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/23/00448 on 23.10.2023 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref No. ICSOI/R/E/23/24920 dated 23.10.2023 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 27.09.2023 has requested to provide the following information:
- 1) Expenses incurred by NIRO of ICSI from 1st March 2023 to 25th September 2023 on different types of events. Event wise every expense bill details required
 - 2) Expenses incurred by ICSI on last council elections
 - 3) Expenses incurred by ICSI on Central and Regional council Members. Every Bill Details required.
- (3) The Appellant has informed in the instant appeal that "Details not provided".
- (4) The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

"With reference to query no. 1, "our reply remains the same as provided in RTI Reply dated 23.10.2023."

The Public Authority under the RTI Act, 2005 is not supposed to create information or to interpret information or to solve the problems raised by the applicants.

With reference to query no. 2, the applicant has mentioned last council elections, it is not clear, which year of election he intends to know. In appeal stage, the applicant has mentioned the year as 2022. In appeal stage, clarification is not permitted nor can be added to the queries. Further, the applicant can refer to Annual Report on the website of ICSI for election expenses.

With reference to query no. 3, the query that expenses incurred by ICSI on Central and Regional Council Members is not clear, as there is no provision for incurring election expenses by ICSI.

CPIO has provided its reply dated 23.10.2023 in response to the RTI Application dated 27.09.2023. In the RTI Appeal dated 23.10.2023, the appellant has revised the queries and accordingly the same cannot be added to the queries of the RTI Application dated 27.09.2023 at the 1st appeal stage.

Therefore, the contents made in the RTI Reply stands as it is and the appeal deserves to be dismissed".

- (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 Office concurs with the submission of the Respondent.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Sonia Baijal)
First Appellate Authority

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