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.00023/2025

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. Ankitsingh Chauhan LIG 05 Imperial Homes, Devguradiya, Indore, Madhya Pradesh Pin:452016 Appellant

Vs.

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

Date of Order: 6th May 2025

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/25/00023 on 16.04.2025 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with the Response vide letter dated 03.04.2025 against the Central Public Information Officer (EXAM) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide RTI Application No. ICSOI/R/E/25/01871 dated 25.03.2025 has requested the following information:

"I have appeared in CS PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMM EXAM IN DECEMBER 2024 EXAM so i kindly request you to please provide me the certified copy of my answer book of December 2024 Exam of all paper

REGISTRATION NUMBER - 440754214/02/2019 MEDIUM OF EXAMINATION - ENGLISH STAGE OF EXAM - PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMME (Syllabus 2017) MODULE - I, II & III(All Modules) ROLL NUMBER -370076

Respect authoritative person i kindly request you to please provide me the certified copy of my answer book"

(3) The Appellant has submitted in the instant appeal as follows:

"The ICSI has provided me the Link with the Username and Password but i am unable to open it and it was not working and the Last date to view is also expired yesterday i e. 15th April 2025 so please provide me the proper link so that i can view my answer copy"

(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/25/01871 dated 25.03.2025 was provided to the Appellant vide letter dated 03/04/2025, in which the Appellant was informed about weblink and the procedure to access the Answer Books through "ICSI Examination Answer Books Portal" (Copy of letter enclosed).

The Scanned copies were also provided to the Appellant on the said portal from 10.04.2025 to 15.04.2025.

Further, it has been observed that the Appellant did not access the scanned copies of Answer Books through the said portal within the stipulated time frame (copy of Screen shot attached). The details provided to the Appellant i.e., Weblink, user name and password were correct and verified.

Furthermore, the Answer Books have been disposed off now as per the Record Retention Schedule of the Institute and cannot be provided.

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

Therefore, the appeal deserves to be dismissed in-limine."

(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.

This office concurs with the submissions of the Respondent.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-(Asit Kumar Rath) First Appellate Authority

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- 2. Central Public Information Officer (EXAM)
 The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
 C-37, Sector 62, NOIDA- 201309
- 3. Directorate of IT For publishing on the website