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.00065/2025

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. Hamsavaradhan M No. 4/2A, Ellamal Street, Manthi Naicker Thottam, Ramapuram, Chennai Tamilnadu Pin:600089 Appellant

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 18th September 2025

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal No. ICSOI/A/E/25/00065 on 10.09.2025 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with the Response vide letter dated 10.09.2025 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/25/02967 dated 01.09.2025 has requested the following information:

"Subject: Scanned certified copies of CS Executive Answer book held in June 2025 under Right to Information Act, 2005.

Dear Sir / Maam,

I have appeared for CS Executive examination with the following particular:

Name: Hamsavaradhan M Examination: CS Executive

Year & month of examination: June, 2025

Roll No: 528016

Registration Number: 341008142/01/2024

Mobile No: 7397372155E

Mail ID: hamsavaradhan18@gmail.com

Paper 1: Jurisprudence, Interpretation and General Laws Code: 521

Paper 2: Company Law and Practice Code:522

Paper 3: Setting Up of Business, Industrial and Labour Laws Code: 523

Paper 4: Corporate Accounting and Financial Management Code: 524

The photocopy of my admit card is enclosed for verification of my identity. I also undertake that I am the same candidate who appear in the aforesaid examination. The Requisite fees for this RTI Application will be paid by me. I hereby declare and affirm that the details mentioned above relate to me only and true the best of my knowledge and belief. Please provide the requested certified copies of Answer book as soon as possible.

your Faithfully, Hamsavaradhan M "

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

"Dear Sir / Madam,

I am aware that the evaluated copies of the Answer Book(s) for the June 2025 session of the ICSI examination are available in the public domain through the ICSI Examination Answer Book Portal. However, I kindly request you to provide me with the certified soft copies of my answer book(s) for all subjects via email at hamsavaradhan18@gmail.com. Receiving these certified copies will greatly assist me in recognizing the mistakes I made during the examination and serve as valuable reference material for my future preparation. Your assistance in this matter would be highly appreciated. Please let me know if any further information or formalities are required from my side to process this request."

(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/25/02967 dated 01.09.2025, was provided to the Appellant vide letter dated 10.09.2025 in which the Appellant was informed about weblink and the procedure to fetch the information (copy of letter enclosed).

Subsequently, it has been found that the Applicant had already registered at "ICSI Examination Answer Books Portal" on 26.08.2025, and the Answer Books were made available to the Appellant within the specified time frame, which have also been viewed by the Appellant (copy of screenshot attached).

Now in the instant Appeal, the Appellant asked for certified copies of Answer Books, which is a fresh request. It is to be informed to the Appellant that if any student wants the Certified Copy of evaluated Answer Book, he can apply for the same through the SMASH portal. The process is available at the weblink https://www.icsi.edu/media/webmodules/2 Announcement C C and Inspection of Answer Books June % 202025.pdf (Copy of screenshot attached).

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

Copy to:

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- 2. Central Public Information Officer (EXAM)
 The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
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- 3. Directorate of IT For publishing on the website