

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.00109/2024

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. Raj Manish Bhatt
904, Ace ambiance, Devi Dayal Road,
Mulund West,
Mumbai,
Pin: 400080
Maharashtra

Appellant

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 23rd November 2024

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/24/00109 on 05.11.2024 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with the Response vide letter dated 05.09.2024 against the Central Public Information Officer (EXAM) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide his RTI Application No. ICSOI/R/E/24/10484 dated 27.08.2024 has requested the following information:

“I am a registered student of ICSI and i gave my cs executive exams in June 2024 attempt and I want a copy of all my answer sheets from both group 1 and group 2.

My details are –

Registration no: 441251316/09/2023

Roll no: 725846”

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

“I, Raj Manish Bhatt, bearing the student registration number: 441251316/09/2023, appeared for the Executive Programme in June 2024 this was my roll no: 725846 with the following subjects:

JURISPRUDENCE, INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL LAWS;

COMPANY LAW;
SETTING UP OF BUSINESS AND LABOUR LAWS;
CORPORATE ACCOUNT AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.

I kindly request you to provide certified copies of my answer sheets for the above-mentioned subjects for my reference and future guidance. I understand the applicable fee and procedure for this request, and I am enclosing the necessary payment and documents as per the guidelines.

Please let me know if any further details are required. I would appreciate your prompt action in processing my request.”

(4) The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

“It is submitted that procedure to obtain the requisite information as sought by the Applicant (Appellant hereinafter) in his RTI Application ICSOI/R/E/24/10484 dated 27.08.2024, was provided to the Appellant on 05.09.2024 in which the Appellant was informed about weblink and the procedure to fetch the sought information (copy of letter enclosed).

An announcement in this regard was also published on the website of the Institute www.icsi.edu - **Examination - Result - Announcement** (Supply of copy of Answer Book(s) to the students of CS Examination - June,2024). (copy of announcement attached). However, the Appellant did not apply at the said portal and thus the Scanned Answer Book were not provided to him.

Further, it is to inform that the Certified Answer Books of June 2024 have been disposed off as per the Record Retention Schedule of The Institute which is available in the Institute’s website (copy attached). Hence, the Answer Books of Jun 2024 cannot be provided.

It is also to submit that the Appellant has filed the Appeal on 05.11.2024 in response to the information supplied to him on 05.09.2024 against his RTI Application No. ICSOI/R/E/24/10484 dated 27.08.2024 beyond the time limit as specified under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005

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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