

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.00113/2024

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. D V N S SARMA
Flat No.3, Rajeev Villa,
House No. 20/75,
Srinivasaperumal Sannidhi,
1st Street, Royapettah,
Chennai, Pin:600014
Tamilnadu

Appellant

Vs.

Central Public Information Officer
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
'ICSI House', 22, Institutional Area, Lodi Road,
New Delhi - 110003

Respondent

Date of Order: 12th December 2024

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/24/00113 on 26.11.2024 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response vide letter dated 08.11.2024 against the Central Public Information Officer (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide his RTI Application No. ICSOI/R/E/24/12613 dated 13/10/2024 has requested the following information:

“Please provide the attendance details / records of Mr. K C Kaushik, Employee of ICSI for the below dates.

On 15th December, 2016

On 10th January, 2017

On 18th February, 2017

On 1st April, 2017

On 18th April, 2017

On 11th May, 2017

On 20th June, 2017

On 6th July, 2017

On 25th July, 2017

On 15th September, 2017

On 7th October, 2017

On 7th November, 2017

Please confirm whether Mr. K C Kaushik was worked in the office on the above days or on Leave.”

- (3) The Appellant has submitted in his instant appeal with regards to the reply provided by the Respondent to the RTI queries as under:

“Information sought has high level public interest. How can it be denied? An employee during office hours not in office so I have right to know whether the employee was on leave or without applying the leave left the office for personal works. Employee salary is being paid from public money only. So information has to be provided.”

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

“Since the RTI application pertains to Directorate of HR of the ICSI, therefore, the CPIO has asked for written submission from concerned Directorate for the same. Their submission is mentioned below:

“We reiterate our earlier reply.”

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.

This office concurs with the submissions of the Respondent in his reply to the instant appeal.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Asit Kumar Rath)
First Appellate Authority

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3. Directorate of IT - For publishing on the website.