

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.00114/2024

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/24/00114 on 26.11.2024 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response vide letter dated 22.11.2024 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/24/12666 dated 25/10/2024 has requested the following information:
 - "1. Please provide the Annual Report (Including Statutory Auditors Report & Financials) of ICSI-CCGRT Mumbai, ICSI-CCGRT Hyderabad & ICSICCGRT Kolkata for the Financial Year 2022-2023 and for the Financial Year 2023-2024.
 2. Please mention / specify clearly what are all the Expenses with the total amount of the above each Unit (i.e CCGRT Mumbai/Hyderabad/Kolkata) like electricity, AMC Charges, Security / Housekeeping etc., were booked (i.e absorbed) directly into ICSI-HQ A/C in the F.Y 2022-2023 and F.Y 2023-2024.
 3. Please mention / specify clearly what are all the Expenses with the total amount reimbursed to the above each Unit (i.e CCGRT Mumbai/ Hyderabad/Kolkata) like electricity, AMC Charges, Security / Housekeeping etc., or any other by ICSI HQ in the F.Y 2022-2023 and in the F.Y 2023-2024.

4. Please mention / specify clearly what are all the Major Repairs & Renovation Expenses with the total amount reimbursed to the above each Unit (i.e CCGRT Mumbai/ Hyderabad/ Kolkata) by ICSI-HQ in the F.Y 2022-2023 and in the F.Y 2023-2024.

5. What are all the Research Activities undertaken or Any Research Publication or Backgrounder / Background Material done / brought out by CCGRT-Mumbai, CCGRT-Hyderabad, CCGRT-Kolkata during the F.Y 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. Please provide full details.”

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

“CCGRT may not prepare Annual Reports but Statutory Audit Report, Balance Sheet, Income Expenditure etc information sought can be provided. Out of 5 or 6 if one item not prepared why rest of information not provided? Intentionally information not provided even though information available.”

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

““We reiterate our earlier reply.”

Further, 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.

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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