

**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.118/2023**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Nikhil Kothari  
No. 9, Kandappa Mudali Street,  
Near Elephant Gate, George Town  
Chennai - 600079

Appellant

Vs.

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

Respondent

Date of Order: 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2023

**ORDER**

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal- No. ICSOI/A/E/23/00118 on 25.03.2023 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response Ref. No. ICSOI/R/E/23/01339 dated 13.03.2023 against the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) (hereinafter referred to as Respondent) of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- (2) The Appellant vide his application dated 26.02.2023 has requested to provide the Photocopy of Answer Sheets of CS Professional examinations December 2022 for the subjects: Module 2: Paper 4 -Secretarial Audit, Compliance Management & Due Diligence Paper 5- Corporate Restructuring, Insolvency & Winding Up Paper 6 -Resolution of Corporate Disputes Module 3: Paper 7 – Corporate Funding & Listings in Stock Exchange Paper 8 – Multidisciplinary Case Studies Paper 9 - Insolvency Law & Practice.
- (3) The Appellant has informed in the instant appeal that “Provided Incomplete, Misleading or False Information”.
- (4) The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

“It is submitted that we have provided the requisite information as sought by the Applicant (Appellant hereinafter) in his RTI Application ICSOI/R/E/23/01339 dated 26.02.2023, at the email id of the Appellant registered with the Institute of Company Secretaries of India vide email dated 13.03.2023 and once again on 20.04.2023 in which a web-link, Username and Password have been provided to the Appellant to access the information sought.

Further, the date of accessing the scanned copies has also been extended till 30.04.2023.

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

(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.

(6) This Office concurs with the submission of the Respondent. Respondent has provided the response to Appellant vide email dated 13.03.2023 and once again on 20.04.2023 & also date extended till 30.04.2023 to access the scanned copies/ information sought. Appellant is requested to check his email id.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Sd/-

(Ankur Yadav)  
First Appellate Authority

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