

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.)

1st Appeal (Manual) dated 02.06.2025
(Ref.: RTI Application dated 30.04.2005, ICSI Letter No. RTI 2005/6508(25) dated 28.05.2025)

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. C.J. Mathew
Flat No. 7D, Trinity Periyar Sands,
East Desom, Aluva
Ernakulam – 683 102, Kerala

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: 26th June, 2025

ORDER

- (1) The Appellant has filed first Appeal (Manual) dated 02.06.2025 received in the office of FAA on 11.06.2025 under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 in connection with Response vide letter dated 28.05.2025 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 dated 30.04.2025 has requested to provide information as follows:

“Kindly provide me with 3 certified Copies (bearing seal in every page) of the following with respect to my Complaint No. DC/112/2011:
 1. Prima-facie opinion of Director (Discipline) under the Companies Secretaries Act, 1980 dated 09.11.2016.
 2. Interim order of the Disciplinary Committee dated 24.12.2016.
 3. Final order of the Disciplinary Committee dated 28.04.2017. “
- (3) The Appellant has submitted in the instant appeal as follows:

“I request your goodself to pass immediate orders to supply certified copies requested for by me.”
- (4) The reply of the Respondent against the instant appeal is as under: -

“Since the RTI application pertains to Directorate of Discipline 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 reply to the RTI query 6508(C J Mathew) dated 28.05.2025. Order dated 15th January,2020 passed by the First Appellate Authority is also attached as **Annexure-1** for reference.

“Information seeker vide RTI application dated 7.1.2017 and 5th November,2019 had sought similar information in the cases bearing number DC/112/2011. CPIO had provided reply vide letter dated 8th February 2017 and letter dated 5th December,2019 respectively. The Information seeker preferred an appeal against the reply dated 5th December,2019 of CPIO before the First Appellate Authority under the Right to Information Act,2005. The First Appellate Authority vide reasoned order dated 15th January,2020 has concurred with the view of CPIO in the matter.

Hence, earlier reply in the matter is reiterated that the copy of prima facie opinion dated 9th November,2016 and the orders passed in the matter in case bearing number DC/112/2011 have already been provided to the information seeker (being the complainant in the matter) through speed post in accordance with the provisions of the Company Secretaries Act,1980 and the Company Secretaries (Procedure of Investigations of Professional and other Misconduct and conduct of Cases) Rules,2007 and the same were duly delivered as per speed post tracking.”

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.

The appeal is accordingly disposed of.

(Asit Kumar Rath)
First Appellate Authority

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3. Directorate of IT - For publishing on the website