OFFICE OF THE SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE-CUM-1stAPPELLATE AU0THORITY (UNDER RTI ACT 2005), UT, CHANDIGARH

Appeal Order No. D-293-297 /UT/RTI/SSP, dated: 06.08.2020

Name of Appellant Mr. Akash Verma,

> R/o # 80, New Officers Colony, Stadium Road, Patiala, PB.

CPIO/South, Central & East

13.06.2020

Concerned CPIOs

Date of RTI application

Reply of CPIOs 11.07.2020

Date of 1st Appeal 11.07.2020

ORDER

The appellant has preferred his 1st appeal through online portal (bearing No. PODEP/A/E/20/00053 dated 11.07.2020) against the reply of CPIO/East in connection with his RTI application (bearing No. PODEP/R/E/20/00210 dated 13.06.2020) with the contentions that requisite information was not supplied to him. The instant appeal was diarized vide No. 61/UT/RTI/FAA/SSP dated 11.07.2020 for further proceeding under RTI Act.

INFORMATION SOUGHT VIDE RTI APPLICATION:

The appellant had sought information related to registration of licence and record of Reg. No. 17 of Police station under the Explosive Act, Petroleum Act, Excise & Opium Act i.e. list of Licence holder, period of validity, Date & report of Last inspection.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/CENTRAL:

CPIO/Central submitted that RTI application of the appellant was received through online portal for supplying the requisite information. Accordingly, report from all SHOs of Central Division was sought. As per their reports, part information i.e. figures of licence holders as per register no. 17 were supplied. However, rest information i.e. list of licence holder, validity of licence and inspection report was declined

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u/s 8(1)(j) of RTI Act being a third party information. Accordingly, appellant was informed in this regard.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/EAST:-

CPIO/East submitted that RTI application of the appellant was received through online portal for supplying the requisite information. Accordingly, reports from all SHOs of East Division were sought. As per their reports, part information i.e. number of licence holders under the Explosive Act, Petroleum Act, Excise & Opium Act has been supplied however, rest information i.e. detail & period of licence etc has been denied u/s 8(1)(e) of RTI Act and appellant was informed vide letter No. 166-RTI/CPIO/East dated 10.07.2020.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/SOUTH:

CPIO/South submitted that RTI application of the appellant was received through online portal for supplying the requisite information. Accordingly, report from all SHOs of South Division was sought. As per their reports, it revealed that the information sought by appellant is personal information, the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest and which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of individual. Hence, being a third party information, the same is denied u/s 8(1) (j) of RTI Act.

DECISION:

I have gone through the contents of RTI application, appeal of the appellant, comments of CPIO/Central, East & South vis-à-vis material available on record which revealed that appellant had sought information related to registration of licence and record of Reg. No. 17 of Police station under the Explosive Act, Petroleum Act, Excise & Opium Act i.e. list of Licence holder, period of validity, Date & report of Last inspection.

In reply, CPIO/Central & East had supplied part information i.e. figures of licence holder and rest information was denied u/s 8(1) (j) & 8(1 (e) of RTI Act, respectively.

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CPIO/South had denied the requisite information to the appellant u/s 8(1) (j) of RTI Act.

So far as the appeal is concerned, it is clear that CPIO/Central & East has correctly supplied the part information i.e. figure of Licence holders and rest of the information was correctly denied u/s 8(1) (j) of RTI Act. Moreover, requisite information of point no. 2 & 3 is related to other departments, the same can be sought from the concerned departments.

In view of above, respective CPIO/South is hereby directed to provide part information of point No. 1 i.e. figure of Licence holders (category wise) to the appellant as per RTI Act.

With these observations, the instant appeal is hereby disposed of, accordingly.

In case, the appellant is not satisfied with the disposal of this appeal, he can file second appeal before the Hon'ble CIC, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gangnath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi-110067 under the RTI Act within 90 days.

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