OFFICE OF THE SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE-CUM-1st APPELLATE AUTHORITY (UNDER RTI ACT 2005), UT, CHANDIGARH

Appeal Order No. D-91-93

/UT/RTI/SSP, dated: 20.03.2020

Name of Appellant

Mr. Harpreet Singh,

Chamber No. 208-A, Distt. Court

Sector 43, Chandigarh.

Concerned CPIOs

CPIO/East

Date of RTI application

28.01.2020

Reply of CPIOs

04.02.2020

Date of 1st Appeal

25.02.2020

ORDER

The appellant has preferred his 1st appeal against the reply / order of CPIO/East in connection with his RTI application with the contentions that requisite information was not supplied to him. The instant appeal was diarized vide No. 19/UT/RTI/ FAA/SSP dated 25.02.2020 for further proceeding under RTI Act.

INFORMATION SOUGHT VIDE RTI APPLICATION:

The appellant had sought CCTV footage all cameras of PS Sector-19 from 11.00 AM to 11.00 PM of dated 23.01.2020.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/EAST:

CPIO/East submitted that RTI application of the appellant was received on 28.01.2020 for supplying the CCTV footage of PS-19. Thereafter, CCTV footage of Police Station Sector 19 was got preserved in a CD through I/C Wireless Workshop. Further, report from SHO/PS-19 was also obtained, who reported that of CCTV camera of Police station cannot be supplied as numbers of persons including informers, complainants & general public visit Police Station for various purposes which may hamper the investigation process as well as cause harms to visitors. Hence, requisite information was denied to the applicant u/s 8(1) (g) & (h) as per RTI Act.

DECISION:-

I have gone through the contents of RTI application, appeal of the appellant, comments of CPIO/East vis-à-vis material available on record

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which revealed that the appellant had sought CCTV footage all cameras of PS Sector-19 from 11.00 AM to 11.00 PM of dated 23.01.2020.

In reply, CPIO/East denied the CCTV footage to the applicant u/s 8(1) (g) & (h) as per RTI Act as the same cannot be disclosed to the appellant on safety & security grounds.

Insofar as the appeal is concerned; it is no where clear that how the appellant is directly related with the requisite information i.e. CCTV footage. However, extract of CCTV footage which is primarily related to appellant can be supplied to him otherwise complete CCTV footage cannot be supplied to him as large numbers of visitors/complainants/witnesses/police informers are involved and by disclosing such information, no public interest is served. Accordingly, CPIO/East is hereby directed to examine the whole CCTV footage and supply only that part of requisite CCTV footage which is primarily related to the appellant as per RTI Act otherwise the same is denied u/s 8(1)(g) of RTI Act. With these directions, appeal stands disposed of.

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.

(Nilambari Jagadale, IPS) Senior Superintendent of Police Union Territory, Chandigarh-cum-1st Appellate Authority.

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2. CPIO/East

3. Computer Section