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

Appeal Order No. D-279-282 /UT/RTI/SSP, dated : 22/05/2025

Name of Appellant	:	Ms. Ramandeep Kaur R/o House No. 2450, Sector-37, Chandigarh, Mob : 94170-14329
Concerned CPIO	:	CPIO/South- West
Date of RTI application	:	26.02.2025
Reply of CPIO	:	08.05.2025
Date of 1st Appeal	:	18.04.2025

ORDER

The appellant has preferred her 1st appeal dated 18.04.2025 against the disposal of her RTI application dated 26.02.2025 by CPIO/South-West & CPIO/Admn with the contentions that requisite information was not provided to her.

Information sought vide RTI application :-

The appellant vide her RTI application had sought pointwise information regarding complaint bearing no. ICMS/2025/001410 i.e. action taken report, copies of complete inter department written communications and name & rank of inquiry officers alongwith present status of complaint.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/Admn :-

CPIO/Admn vide his comments submitted that the RTI application was received in his office to obtain the requisite information. Thereafter, I/C CRU was directed to supply the requisite information, who reported that the said complaint is with the office of DSP/South-West and RTI application was transferred accordingly. Again RTI application was re-transferred to the CPIO/Admn (being custodian of information) to provide the requisite information, however, in the meantime complaint was againt sent to SDPO/South-West for enquiry. RTI application was re-transferred to DSP/South-West, accordingly as per provision of section 6 (3) of RTI Act.

COMMENTS OF CPIO/South West:-

CPIO/South-West vide his comments submitted that the RTI application was received in his office on 27.02.2025 to obtain the requisite information. Thereafter, the requisite information was obtained from SHO PS-39, who reported that the said complaint has been sent to senior officers after inquiry. On this, the RTI application was transferred to CPIO/Admn as per the provisions of section 6 (3) of RTI Act and the appellant was intimated about the same. On 07.05.2025, the RTI application was again received back from the office of CPIO/Admn as the complaint in question was downmarked on 21.03.2025. In this regard, the sought information was denied U/s 8 (1) (h) of RTI Act as the complaint in question is still under inquiry and the appellant was apprised about the same.

DECISION :-

I have gone through the contents of RTI application, appeal of the appellant, comments of CPIO/Admn & CPIO/South-West vis-à-vis material available on record which revealed that the appellant vide his RTI application had sought pointwise information regarding complaint bearing no. ICMS/2025/001410 i.e. action taken report, copies of complete inter department written communications and name & rank of inquiry officers alongwith present status of complaint.

In reply, CPIO/South-West denied the sought information to the appellant as per the provisions of section 8 (1) (h) of RTI Act as the complaint in question is still under inquiry.

As far as the appeal is concerned, at present complaint in question is still under inquiry with CPIO/South-West and the partial requsite information cannot be supllied at this stage Hence, section 8 (1) (h) of RTI Act is appropriately applied by the CPIO.

However, as far as the names of the Enquiry officers are concerened, the same can be supplied to the appellant. Thus, the CPIO/South-West is directed to furnish the name of enquiry officer to whom this enquiry was marked.

Moreover, from the perusal of the record in hand, it is found that complaint in question (ICMS/2025/001410) kept shuttling between CPIO/South-West and CPIO/Admn for further course of action at their respective end, resulting in delay in disposing off the RTI application. The same is not in the line of spirit envisage under RTI Act and CPIO is bound to dispose off in time frame manner. Taking a lienent view at this time, they are directed to follow the provisions of the RTI Act and dispose of the RTI application within the stipulated time period in future.

With these observations, instant appeal stands disposed off accordingly.

In case, the appellant is not satisfied with the disposal of his 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.

(Kanwardeep Kaur, IPS)
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